1 (Trial resumed; Jury not present)

THE COURT: Please be seated.

Before we bring in the jury, I just wanted to give you my reaction about this proposed instruction about how you are going to handle Courtney Adams's testimony.

First of all, who is Christine Ruscigno?

MS. MORTAZAVI: She is a contractor with the U.S. Attorneys' Office, your Honor. She was in the courtroom but she is no longer in the courtroom. If you had questions for her, she's available.

THE COURT: My comments and reactions are the following. Then I am going to leave those with you and you can talk to each other about it and we can regroup after lunch. I don't see any purpose in giving her name. She's not a witness. She's simply standing-in for. So I would propose to say they jointly agreed to have an employee or a representative from the Office of the United States Attorney read out loud portions of a government exhibit which is sworn testimony given by Courtney Adams at a prior trial, not proceeding.

MS. MORTAZAVI: I can finish, your Honor, or react to what --

THE COURT: Let me give you my comments and then you can talk to each other and come back.

Jumping down two lines, "you may carefully scrutinize this testimony and all evidence". I don't know what it means

any other matters in evidence. All other evidence. You might want to say somewhere that "this testimony is evidence". I do not agree with the sentence that begins you are to give no more or less weight to the manner in which this testimony is presented. I just don't agree with that. The jury has the right to say, I can't assess the credibility of the actual witness, Courtney Adams. And so if the jury in their determination thinks that that testimony is entitled to less weight because of how it was presented, that is their prerogative. So I would propose, I am going to delete that sentence.

And then the final sentence, again, I would take out Ms. Ruscigno's name and say "have jointly agreed to have this particular testimony read into the record", and leave it at that.

Those are my proposed edits. Why don't you speak to each other about them. I'll hear from you about them at lunch but since you are telling me we're not going to get to this this morning and the jurors are all here and ready to go, I'd like to have the jurors come out and pick up where we left off.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Certainly, your Honor. Could we have Mr. Cohen then retake the witness stand.

THE COURT: Yes, please.

(Jury present)

THE COURT: Please be seated, everyone.

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- Good morning to our jurors. Thank you very much for being so punctual. Mr. Cohen is still on the stand.
- I remind you, Mr. Cohen, that you remain under oath.
  - Ms. Mortazavi.
- 5 MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor.
- 6 ROSS COHEN, resumed.
- 7 DIRECT EXAMINATION CONTINUED
- 8 BY MS. MORTAZAVI:
- 9 Q. Good morning, Mr. Cohen.
- 10 A. Good morning.
- 11 | Q. I am going to ask you once again, as I did yesterday, to
- 12 | please speak into the microphone and speak loudly and clearly
- 13 | for the benefit of our court reporter.
- 14 | A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Mr. Cohen, I just want to remind everyone of where we left
- 16 | things off with your testimony yesterday.
- 17 You testified about blood builders. Do you recall
- 18 | that?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 | Q. And you'd testified yesterday that Epogen was a blood
- 21 builder?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 | Q. Are you familiar with the term (inaudible)?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- Q. What is that?

- 1 A. That's Epogen.
- 2 Q. And you testified yesterday that's sometimes referred to as
- 3 | "EPO"; is that correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. What penalties could you face in the state of New York if
- 6 as a racehorse trainer you injected a horse with Epogen?
- 7 A. I do not know what the penalties are at this time. They
- 8 changed since I was training horses.
- 9 Q. Could you give examples of some of the penalties you could
- 10 | face?
- 11 MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 12 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 13 | Q. You testified --
- 14 THE COURT: You are asking about at this time what he
- 15 could face?
- 16 Q. Over the course of time, Mr. Cohen, did you become familiar
- 17 | with the penalties that a racehorse trainer would face if they
- 18 | administered Epogen to a horse?
- 19 THE COURT: You can answer just "yes" or "no".
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Focusing on the time when, the 30-year-old period when you
- 22 were a racehorse trainer did those penalties change?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. What possible penalties are aware of that a trainer could
- 25 | face?

1 MR. FASULO: Objection.

2 THE COURT: Grounds.

MR. FASULO: When, judge? Possible when?

THE COURT: Can you pin it down time-wise, Ms.

- Mortazavi? He said he doesn't know what the penalties are today.
- Q. At the time you were a racehorse trainer focusing on 2010 to pick a point in time, do you have a sense of what penalties you could have faced around that time if you had administered Epogen to a racehorse?
- 11 A. I don't recall the exact penalties.
- Q. Okay. Now when we left off yesterday you had testified that you had administered performance enhancing drugs to your
- 14 | racehorses; do you remember that?
- 15 | A. Yes.

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- Q. You also testified that you had bought an sold performance enhancing drugs; is that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- Q. Was it also your testimony, Mr. Cohen, that you had administered bleeding pills the day of a race?
- 21 A. Correct.
- Q. I believe yesterday you testified that you administered
- 23 | that via a drench, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.

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Q. What other methods had you used to administer performance

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1 enhancing drugs to racehorses that you trained?

- A. Intravenously, intramuscularly.
- 3 Q. Does that mean by injection?
- 4 | A. Yes.

- 5 | Q. Approximately, how many times over the course of your
- 6 career have your horses tested positive on drug tests for
- 7 performance enhancing drugs?
- 8 A. I'd say seven to ten times.
- 9 | Q. In, approximately, how many states?
- 10 | A. Three.
- 11 Q. Are you familiar with baking soda in the context of
- 12 performance enhancing drugs?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. Have you ever administered baking soda to your racehorses?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. What effect does baking soda have on the body of a
- 17 | racehorse?
- 18 A. It helps get lactic acid out of the horse's muscles so that
- 19 | they don't cramp up and get tired as easily.
- 20 | Q. How did you administer baking soda to you racehorses?
- 21 A. Orally either through a dose syringe or through a
- 22 | nasogastric tube.
- 23 | Q. Is that the process of drenching that you testified to
- 24 | yesterday?
- 25 A. Yes.

- Q. What's your understanding of whether you are permitted to administer baking soda to your racehorses?
- 3 A. You were not.
- 4 Q. Mr. Cohen, have you ever been disciplined for that conduct?
- 5 | A. Yes.
- 6 Q. Approximately, how many times?
- 7 A. Three or four.
- Q. As far as you're aware, Mr. Cohen, how would the racing
- 9 commission find out that you had engaged in this conduct?
- 10 A. The horses tested positive either high TC02 or a base
- 11 access test depends on the state. Each state does their own
- 12 testing.
- 13 | Q. The instances in which your horses tested positive were
- 14 | those other the only times you had administered drugs to your
- 15 | racing horses?
- 16 | A. No.
- 17 Q. Did there come a time when you learned a horse had tested
- 18 positive on a drug test for Epogen?
- 19 A. I had positive tests for Epogen antibodies, not the drug.
- 20 | Q. How long had you been training horse that tested positive
- 21 | before the drug test results came out?
- 22 | A. A week.
- 23 | Q. What consequences, if any, did you receive as a result of
- 24 | that positive drug test?
- 25 A. Only a warning and the horse had a clear test the following

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- 1 week for antibodies.
- 2 | Q. Had you administered Epogen to that racehorse?
- 3 | A. No.
- 4 | Q. At that time did you have personal knowledge of who
- 5 administered Epogen to that racehorse?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 | Q. Apart from that instance, have you ever administered Epogen
- 8 | to your horses?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. How do you administer Epogen?
- 11 A. Intravenously.
- 12 | Q. When was the last time you had administered Epogen to a
- 13 racehorse that you had trained?
- 14 A. Maybe, 15 years ago.
- 15 | Q. Did there come a time when you learned a horse of yours had
- 16 | tested positive for Percocet and Vicodin?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. Had you administered those drugs to your racehorse before
- 19 | the positive test?
- 20 | A. No.
- 21 | Q. Did you have personal knowledge of who administered those
- 22 drugs to your racehorse?
- 23 A. No. Only hearsay.
- 24 | Q. You previously testified about a trainer's
- 25 responsibilities; do you remember all that?

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- 1 Α. Yes.
- And I believe you testified yesterday that trainers have 2
- 3 staff that help train racehorses; is that connect?
- Correct. 4 Α.
- 5 You mentioned "grooms"?
- 6 Α. Yes.
- 7 And you mentioned "assistant trainers"; is that right?
- 8 Α. Yes.
- 9 What kind of access do those people have to racehorses?
- 10 Α. Full access.
- 11 Returning back to the positive drug test that you just
- 12 mentioned, were you disciplined?
- 13 Α. Yes.
- 14 What penalty did you receive?
- 15 Α. One year and a \$2500 fine.
- 16 One year of what? Q.
- 17 One-year suspension from training and a loss of my license
- 18 for that time.
- 19 In connection with the positive drug tests that we just
- 20 spoke of, did you have your license suspended on multiple
- 21 occasions?
- 22 Can you be more clear?
- 23 Sure. Over the course of your career as a racehorse
- 24 trainer, has your license been suspended on multiple occasions?
- 25 Α. Why he.

- 1 | Q. Did you continue to train racehorses even though your
- 2 | license was suspended?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Did you train them under your name or someone else'?
- 5 A. Somebody else's.
- 6 Q. Mr. Cohen, did there come a time when you were charged with
- 7 crimes relating to conduct that you've just described?
- 8 A. Which conduct.
- 9 Q. I'll ask the question a different way.
- 10 A. Okay. Please.
- 11 | Q. Did there come a time when you were charged with crimes
- 12 | relating to your distribution and use of drugs for the purpose
- of enhancing the performance of racehorses?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15  $\parallel$  Q. When was that?
- 16 | A. March 9th of 2020.
- 17 | Q. Were you arrested at that time?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 | Q. What did you decide to do after you were arrested and
- 20 | charged?
- 21 | A. I decided to cooperate.
- 22 | Q. As part of your cooperation, did you meet with members of
- 23 | the U.S. Attorney Office?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. Had you met with me briefly?

- 1 | A. Yes.
- 2 Q. After those meetings did you enter in any sort of
- 3 | agreements with U.S. Attorney's Office?
- 4 A. I entered into a cooperation agreement.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, could you please pull up for
- 6 | the witness only, not for the jury, Government Exhibit 1102,
- 7 | which is not in evidence.
- 8 Q. Mr. Cohen, do you recognize this document?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10  $\parallel$  0. What is this it?
- 11 A. That's my cooperation agreement.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Could we turn to the last page of this
- 13 | exhibit.
- 14 (Pause)
- 15 Q. Mr. Cohen, is that your signature on the final page of this
- 16 | document?
- 17 | A. Yes, it is.
- 18 | Q. Did you plead guilty to any crimes after you signed this
- 19 | agreement?
- 20 | A. Yes.
- 21 | Q. Which crimes?
- 22 | A. Mislabeling, misbranding and selling performance enhancing
- 23 drugs in racehorses.
- 24 | Q. What did you do that makes you guilty of that crime?
- 25 A. I sold performance enhancing drugs to people.

- 1 | Q. Sitting here today, have you been sentenced for that crime?
- 2 A. No, I have not.
- 3 Q. Under the terms of this agreement with the U.S. Attorney's
- 4 | Office, what are you required to do?
- 5 A. I am required to tell the truth. I am required to testify
- 6 when asked and be available for any sort of questioning at any
- 7 | time.
- 8 | Q. And if you hold up your obligations under the agreement,
- 9 | what is your understanding of what the government will do?
- 10 A. I would hope for a 5K letter.
- 11 Q. What is a 5K letter as you understand it?
- 12 | A. It's a letter stating my cooperation, level of cooperation
- and what I've done to help, tell the truth in any situation.
- 14 | Q. Apart from your sale of misbranded and mislabeled drugs,
- 15 | have you also participated in bribery related to horseracing?
- 16 | A. Yes.
- 17 | Q. What did you do?
- 18 A. I paid drivers to hold their horses back in races.
- 19 Q. Approximately, when did you do those things?
- 20 A. Over 14 years ago.
- 21 | Q. Did you stand to gain financially from that arrangement?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. Have you also delivered marijuana to people on occasion?
- 24 A. Small doses, yes.
- 25 | Q. Approximately, how often?

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- 1 A. Maybe ten times.
- 2 Q. Were you paid for that?
- 3 A. Small amount of money, yes.
- 4 | Q. Have you ever been charged with committing those crimes?
- 5 | A. No.
- 6 Q. Are those crimes included in this cooperation agreement?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 | Q. Did you voluntarily tell the government about those crimes?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 | Q. If you live up to your obligations under the agreement,
- 11 | what's your understanding of what the government will do with
- 12 respect to those crimes that you just described?
- 13 A. That I will not be prosecuted for those crimes.
- 14 | Q. Even if you are not prosecuted for those crimes, what's
- 15 | your understanding of whether the sentencing judge will be made
- 16 | aware of those crimes?
- 17 A. The judge will be made aware.
- 18 | Q. As you sit here today, have you been guaranteed that letter
- 19 | from the government that you described earlier?
- 20 | A. No, I have not.
- 21 | Q. Under this agreement does the outcome of this trial matter
- 22 | in determining whether or not you get a letter?
- 23 MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 24 A. No, it does not.
- 25 | THE COURT: Sustained. The jury should disregard that

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1 answer.

- 2 THE WITNESS: Sorry.
- 3 Q. As you sit here today, Mr. Cohen, have you been promised
- 4 any particular sentence by the government?
- 5 A. No, I have not.
- 6 Q. What is the maximum sentence you could face?
- 7 A. Five years in prison.
- 8 Q. What happens to this agreement if you lie on the stand?
- 9 A. It's null and void.
- 10 | Q. Will you get a letter from the government?
- 11 | A. No.
- 12 | Q. Could you be prosecuted for any additional crimes?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 | Q. If you lie on the stand do you get to take back your guilty
- 15 plea?
- 16 | A. No, I do not.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: No further questions.
- 18 THE COURT: Thank you, Ms. Mortazavi.
- 19 Mr. Fasulo, cross?
- 20 MR. FASULO: Yes. Thank you, your Honor.
- 21 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 22 BY MR. FASULO:
- 23 Q. Good morning, Mr. Cohen.
- 24 A. Good morning, sir.
- 25 | Q. Mr. Cohen, tell us again about your educational experience.

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- A. I have a high school diploma but I have an animal science degree, associates degree from the State University of New York, in Morris ville.
- Q. And in that degree can you give the Court and the jury here an understanding of what it is that you studied in getting that degree, what kind of classes?
- A. I took anatomy and physical horse nutrition. I took farrier, shoeing courses, horseshoeing. I also took accounting classes, took harness racing classes, as well.
- Q. All of this was in your anticipation of entering into the horseracing industry or --
- A. Into the industry I also applied to Cornell University possibly to go to vet school and also applied to University of Arizona for abstract management.
  - Q. There came a time that you did enter in the industry?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 | Q. If what portion did you begin?
- 18 A. I was an assistant trainer/groom.
- Q. As an assistant trainer/groomer you worked under the authority off the trainer, right?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Would it be fair to say that in the preparation of horses
  for races, you had a different role that worked with you? The
  trainers had one role, assistant trainer had another role. The
  groomsmen had another role?

- 1  $\parallel$  A. Yes, sir.
- 2 | Q. Those were pretty defined roles, correct?
- 3 A. Each stable defined them differently, but yes.
- 4 | Q. At the end of the day the trainer was responsible,
- 5 ultimately response for the preparation of a horse for races,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. It was the trainer's barn. They were final say.
- 8 | Q. And in terms of the care of horses, the trainer worked with
- 9 | the vets regarding the care of the horses; is that fair to say?
- 10 A. Sometimes, not directly. Sometimes the trainer would
- 11 authorize the assistant trainers or delegate some sort of
- 12 duties.
- 13 | Q. When you say "delegate", you would still oversee the
- 14 | actions of the assistant trainer or anybody else that was
- 15 | working with you, correct? Cause you were ultimately
- 16 responsible as a trainer; is that fair to say?
- 17 | A. Yes, sir.
- 18 | Q. You did this in an effort to optimize your horses and to
- 19 | win races?
- 20 A. Did what?
- 21 | Q. Did your job, as a trainer your goal was to win races?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 | Q. In fact, at some point in your life you said you also
- 24 | bought horses, right?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. You bought in groups or individually or both?
- 2 | A. Both.
- 3 | Q. During the time that you actually owned horses, were you
- 4 | also the trainer of those horses?
- $5 \parallel A. \text{ Yes, sir.}$
- 6 Q. And at that time when you were owning the horses, how many
- 7 | horses did you own?
- 8 A. I couldn't tell you off the top of my head. Sorry.
- 9 Q. At the time that you owned any of those horses during the
- 10 period of your ownership, you engaged in giving those horses
- 11 performance enhancing drugs to win races?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- 13 | Q. And you did that knowing that that was not fair?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 | Q. It was against the track rules?
- 16 A. Against the commission rules.
- 17 | Q. But it put money in your pocket?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 | Q. You did it because you wanted the money it in your pocket,
- 20 | right?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- 22 | Q. And you lied when you did it, right?
- 23 | A. Yes, sir.
- 24 | Q. And you had no problem lying because it benefited you; is
- 25 | that fair to say?

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- 1 A. Benefited me and others, yes.
- 2 | Q. Benefited you and others, correct?
- $3 \parallel A. \text{ Yes, sir.}$
- 4 | Q. And in fact, you were also asked by many at the track
- 5 during the time that you worked in the track to fix races,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. I wasn't asked by many, no.
- 8 Q. Well, you fixed many races, didn't you?
- 9 A. I did, yes, but not asked by many people to do it.
- 10 | Q. You decided to do it just by yourself?
- 11 A. No. I had one person that asked me.
- 12 Q. Who was that person?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection; relevance.
- 14 | THE COURT: I am going to allow it.
- 15  $\parallel$  A. Who was the person that asked me?
- 16 THE COURT: Yes. That's the question.
- 17 A. Bob Grove.
- 18 | Q. What was his position in relationship to your position?
- 19 A. He owned a couple of racehorses.
- 20 THE COURT: I am going to instruct both of you to let
- 21 | Mr. Fasulo finish the question and Mr. Fasulo, please, let
- 22 | Mr. Cohen finish his answer so we get a clear record. Okay?
- 23 Q. He was the horse owner, correct?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 | Q. He asked you to fix races on behalf of his horses, correct?

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- 1 | A. On behalf of him, not always his horses.
- 2 | Q. So that he would win money, correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 | Q. And when you went to fix races you went to talk to other
- 5 trainers and other riders, correct?
- 6 A. Drivers.

- Q. Was that in thoroughbred or standardbred?
- 8 A. Standardbred.
- 9 Q. When with you talked to drivers, you told them that you
- 10 wanted them to either slow their horses up or do something to
- 11 | affect the ultimate outcome of those races, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 | Q. You had discussions with them, right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 | Q. And these would be secret discussions, right?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 | Q. You would publicize that around the racetrack?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. You made a decision based on a relationship you had built
- 20 | with these drivers, correct?
- 21 | A. Yes, sir.
- 22 | Q. Some of them never participated in such activity until
- 23 approached by you?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection; foundation.
- 25 Q. If you know.

- 1 THE COURT: Sustained. Rephrase the question.
- 2 MR. FASULO: I'll move on.
- 3 Q. If, and in fact, that you did in the beginning of your
- 4 | career, correct, somewhere in the 2010 around that time?
  - A. Middle of my career.
- 6 Q. Middle of your career. At the end of your career in 2019
- 7 | you became, you had an opportunity to become an authority at
- 8 one of the racetracks, is that right, assistant director?
  - A. I was assistant director of racing at Goshen Historic
- 10 Track.

- 11 || Q. Where is that?
- 12 A. In Goshen, New York.
- 13 | Q. When did you become the assistant director at Goshen
- 14 | Historic Park?
- 15 A. Approximately, 2019.
- 16 Q. And prior to that time you had been juicing horses?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And in fact, as the director you had a responsibility and
- 19 | authority at that track, correct?
- 20 A. I don't recall having authority.
- 21 | Q. You did well. You were assistant director of the track up
- 22 | there?
- 23 | A. Not of the track. Just of the meet that was going on. I
- 24 | just helped the director of racing who was in charge but I
- 25 | didn't really have much authority.

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But you had, you were seen in an administrative role to ensure the integrity of racing and the meets, as well as everybody else up at that time at the track, correct?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection, compound.

MR. FASULO: I'll withdraw.

- As the assistant director of meets -- is that what your title was?
- I could not really say that I had a title but we could assume that the title is assistant director.
- I'm not asking you to assume anything. What was your job? Ο.
  - I helped organize the race meets. I did media, public relations. I called trainers to see if they could enter their horses to race. We had fund raisers, just different
- 15 0. You did that on behalf of the Goshen track, correct?

promotions. I wasn't really in an authoritative role.

- 16 They paid me a salary to do that.
- 17 Correct. And they had expectations that you were going to Q. 18 act ethically and professionally as you did that, correct?
- 19 Α. Correct.
- 20 They didn't have expectations that you were engaging, you 21 would engage in activity that would change outcomes of 22 horseraces?
- 23 MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.
- 24 THE COURT: Sustained.
  - During the time that you had this position, you did do

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- 1 activities that were not permitted at the track; isn't that
- 2 fair to say? Were you involved with any performance enhancing
- 3 drugs at that time?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And you did see the administration or administer those
- drugs to horses at that time? 6
- 7 Α. Correct.
- 8 And it affected races in the same place where you had this
- 9 paid position; is that fair to say?
- 10 Α. No.
- 11 Ο. At the same track?
- 12 I didn't racehorses at Goshen.
- 13 You had no affect on any of the races in Goshen when you
- were working there? You did nothing to affect the races there? 14
- 15 Α. No, nothing.
- 16 You were selling PEDs? 0.
- 17 Correct. Α.
- 18 You were selling them for Dr. Grasso; is that correct?
- 19 Α. No.
- 20 For Mr. Skelton? 0.
- 21 Α. Dr. Skelton.
- 22 Right. Who was Dr. Skelton? Q.
- 23 Veterinarian in Illinois. Α.
- 24 When were you selling these PEDs for Dr. Skelton? 0.
- 25 From about 2017 to 20 -- till I got arrested 2020. Α.

- 1 | Q. You were selling them -- where were you selling them?
- 2 A. New York, Pennsylvania, jersey.
- 3 | Q. Who were you selling them to?
- 4 A. Trainers and owners of racehorses.
- 5 Q. When you were selling these PEDs, you were selling them
- 6 with the understanding that they were going to enhance and
- 7 | affect the races, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. In the hope of enhancing the horse's performance on the
- 10 track?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 | Q. And you also had a relationship with Dr. Grasso, the vet?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 | Q. And in that relationship, tell me about that relationship
- 15 || with Dr. Grasso. What is your relationship with Grasso as it
- 16 relates to PEDs and other substance that were given to horses?
- 17 A. He did some work on some of my horses and I had bought some
- 18 products from him to try on some of my horses and I had in
- 19 | times called him for advice on some horses.
- 20 | Q. When you say "products", those were performance enhancing
- 21 drugs many of them?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 | Q. And there came a time that you met Lisa Ranger you said
- 24 sometime in the 90s, late 90s; is that correct?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

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- Q. But you had no dealings with her until sometime in 2009 or 2010?
- 3 | I'll withdraw that question.
- 4 | Q. What year did you have dealings with Lisa Ranger?
- A. I can't pinpoint the exact time. 2001 I got introduced to her to start purchasing products, approximately.
- 7 | Q. Could it have been 2005?
  - A. No. It was definitely in the 2001 range.
- 9 Q. Okay. And when you met her you had already met Dr.
- 10 | Fishman; isn't that fair to say?
- 11 A. I had been introduced to him a few years earlier, just a
- 12 | basic hello, nice to meet you.
- 13 | Q. And in fact, you had many conversations with Dr. Fishman
- 14 | about the products that he was producing or prescribing to your
- 15 | horses, correct?
- 16 A. I don't know about "many". He's a tough person to get on
- 17 | phone.
- 18 | Q. I think you said on direct-examination you talked about
- 19 once a month?
- 20 A. No. I talked to Lisa about once a month.
- 21 Q. How many times did you talk to Dr. Fishman.
- 22 | A. A few. I couldn't pinpoint exactly how many times, sir.
- Q. And it was Dr. Fishman that suggested to you what would be
- 24 good products to administer to your horses; is that correct?
- 25 A. Lisa had recommended some and Dr. Fishman had recommended

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- $1 \parallel some.$
- 2 | Q. Now when you say Lisa had recommended some, you bought a
- 3 | lot of products from Lisa Ranger, Lisa Giannelli, correct?
- $4 \parallel A. \text{ Yes, sir.}$
- 5 Q. And a lot of those products had to do with vitamins,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 | Q. A lot of those products were not PEDs in fact?
- 9 A. Honestly, at this point, I don't know what the definition
- 10 | of "PED" is.
- 11 | Q. You would be invoiced for these products depending on where
- 12 | you were working to either yourself or to the stables that you
- 13 | were working at, correct?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 | Q. And in those invoices it would indicate to you and to the
- 16 | owners what was being sold to you, correct?
- 17 | A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. The product names, correct?
- 19 | A. Yes, sir.
- 20 | Q. And also the cost of products, correct?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 | Q. Shipping costs, et cetera?
- 23 | A. Yes, sir.
- 24 | Q. It would be pretty detailed, right?
- 25 | A. Yes, sir.

- Q. And those bills weren't paid directly by you; wouldn't that
- 2 be fair to say?
- 3 A. Some were.
- 4 | Q. Okay. If you owned the horse?
- A. At first I'd actually pay for them all and then bill my
- 6 owners direct, then we'd switch.
- 7 Q. At the end of the day your owners had to pay for the bill?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. You weren't financing the horses that you were training?
- 10 | A. No.
- 11 | Q. So at the end of the day, the owners would have to pay
- 12 | those bills based on those invoices?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 | Q. And in fact as a trainer you're training not only the
- 15 horses that are going to race tomorrow but you are training
- 16 | horses that may race a year from now, six months from now, nine
- 17 | months from now, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 | Q. Depends on the horse and what stage they are in their
- 20 development, correct?
- 21 A. Correct.
- 22 | Q. You would agree that some of the drugs that you purchased
- 23 could to be used outside the track without any problem or
- 24 | without any violation as you trained those horses, correct?
- 25 A. Could you be more specific?

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3 next six months, would not be a violation of any of the racing

horse that is not racing or is not going to race within the

rules that you are aware of; is that fair to say?

A. I don't really think that -- you can administer anything to a racehorse -- prescription or authorization. Most things must be administered by a veterinarian.

Q. Right. But under the veterinarians and your agreement that the horse is in need of those particular drugs or you've discussed it with your vet, correct?

That's correct.

There's a discussion with the vet as to how the horse is reacting, what the horse's needs are and the vet prescribes medications or drugs that they will optimize the horse's performance, correct?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.

Is that what your understanding is?

THE COURT: Hold on.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Compound.

THE COURT: Can you rephrase?

MR. FASULO: I will.

So when you said that it's with a prescription from the vet, what I am asking you is you have a discussion with the vet about the needs of your horse; is that true?

Yes, sir. Α.

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- Q. And the vet then discusses different alternative treatments that can be engaged with that particular horse, correct?
- $3 \parallel A. \text{ Yes, sir.}$
- Q. And at times you as a trainer make certain suggestions as to what you believe the horse needs to optimize their
- 6 performances?
- 7 A. Correct.

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- Q. To alleviate their pain?
- 9 A. A lot of different things, not just too --
- 10 Q. And you have that ongoing conversation with the vet,
  11 correct?
- 12 | A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And after you have had that conversation, those drugs can
  be legally administered as far as you know to the horse as long
  as the horse isn't racing within a framework that would be
  prohibited by any state racing commission?
- 17 MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.
- 18 THE COURT: Sustained. Lay a better foundation.
- these decisions on the horses, you can administer those drugs,
  the vet can administer those drugs to the horses or in cases

And in getting this information from the vet and making

- you can administer some of those supplements to the horses as
- 23 | well, correct?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.
- 25 THE COURT: Sustained.

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- Let me ask you, you worked with horses that are not going 2 to race within the next, within a short period of time assuming
- 3 your horse is going to raceway in the future?
- When I trained? 4 Α.
- When you trained, going back to when --5
- 6 Α. Yes.

you know?

- 7 And in those situations would it be okay for you to administer drugs to enhance that horse's performance, as far as 8
- 10 A. No, it's not okay to administer performance enhancing 11 drugs.
- 12 Q. Is it illegal to buy performance enhancing drugs from a 13 vet?
- 14 If the vet gives you a prescription.
- 15 Q. Right.
- 16 Α. No.
- 17 And if the vet gives you a prescription those drugs could Q. 18 be administered to the horse prior to racing as long as it's within --19
- 20 A. But you said --
- 21 THE COURT: Wait a minute. Let him finish.
- 22 Q. And those for performance enhancing drugs could be 23 administered to the horse as long as the horse isn't racing 24 within a prescribed period of time as per the racing 25 commissions.

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MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.

THE COURT: Sustained. You need to lay a foundation.

- Q. What's the term "hard training". Do you understand that term?
- A. It can be used in many different ways saying that.
- Q. How about the term "breeds horses"?
- A. That's more of a thoroughbred term.
- Q. You worked with mostly standardbreds, correct?
- 9 A. Correct.
- Q. What I'd like to know is you're in the development of horses not only the day of the race, the week of the race but
- 12 | in preparation for future races; is that right?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And in preparing for future races, do you have to assess
- 15 | the horse's needs as it relates to pain, as it relates to their
- 16 | breathing, and as it relates to their performance? Do you
- 17 | assess that as a trainer as you are preparing your horses?
- 18 A. You evaluate an athlete whether it's human or equine as a
- 19 trainer.
- 20 Q. And you can do it as far out as a year before that horse
- 21 | will ever get on a track; is that fair to say?
- 22 A. That's fair to say.
- 23 | Q. All right. And you can be with a horse for a year before
- 24 | that horse will actually run in a track here or in any track?
- 25 A. Sometimes.

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- All right. And as a trainer you have to be concerned about 2 those horses during that time; isn't that fair to say?
- 3 Absolutely. Α.
- 4 Those assessments we talked about before where you're Ο.
- 5 talking to the vet and you are making a decision on care and
- 6 the optimization of the horse's potential are done at that
- 7 time, as well as later when they're racing, correct?
- Correct. You can evaluate health, different situations. 8
- 9 Q. Right. At any time when you are evaluating health there
- 10 will be medications, vitamins and supplements that may be
- 11 prescribed for the horse, correct?
- 12 Α. That is correct.
- 13 And you would agree with me that some of those medications Ο.
- 14 or supplements are permitted to be administered to the horse as
- 15 long as the horse is not on the racetrack; is that fair to say?
- 16 Α. Correct.
- 17 And you would agree with me that it is the track rules
- 18 which guide when, what drugs may be administered to a horse
- 19 prior to racing and what drugs are not permitted to be
- 20 administered to a horse prior to racing, right?
- 21 MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection. It misstates the witness's
- 22 testimony.
- 23 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 24 But you can answer it to the extent of your
- 25 understanding.

- A. It is not the racetrack rules. It is the commission's rules.
- 3 | Q. Right. The commission's rulings, correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 | Q. And in fact, many of the items that you bought from Lisa
- 6 Giannelli were vitamins and supplements; is that fair to say?
- 7  $\parallel$  A. Yes, sir.
- 8 | Q. And that's the bulk of what you bought from her, correct?
- 9 | A. Yes, sir.
- 10 | Q. And it was Skelton and Grasso that you bought your PEDs
- 11 | from; isn't that fair to say?
- 12 A. A bought a large amount of them from them.
- 13 | Q. And then not only did you buy the PEDs, you began to sell
- 14 | them, correct?
- 15 A. For Dr. Skelton.
- 16 | Q. And when you bought them, when you bought those PEDs that
- 17 | you then sold, you didn't buy those from Lisa Ranger or Lisa
- 18 | Giannelli; isn't that fair to say?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 | Q. Cause you had your own network where you would be buying
- 21 | those items, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 | Q. And you bought them with the purpose of selling them to
- 24 people who you knew were going to use them to win horseraces;
- 25 | is that fair to say?

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- 1 Α. Yes, sir.
- And that's because you had conversations with those people 2
- 3 about their intent, about their reason for wanting to use those
- drugs; is that fair to say? 4
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection; calls for hearsay. 5
- THE COURT: No. Just ask did he have conversations. 6
- 7 Α. Yes.
- Now, you talked about -- I'd like you to look at what's 8
- 9 been marked as Government Exhibit 11002. It's on your screen?
- 10 THE COURT: It's not on the screen for the jurors,
- 11 right? Thank you.
- 12 Q. Now you entered into this agreement in June of 2020,
- 13 correct?
- 14 Α. Correct.
- 15 Q. And prior to entering this agreement you were aware that
- 16 you were facing federal felony charges, correct?
- 17 Correct. Α.
- 18 Q. You were aware that those are pretty serious charges,
- 19 correct?
- Α. 20 Yes, sir.
- 21 You were aware that for the crimes that you were charged
- 22 with that you could face up to five years in jail, correct?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 And you were also aware that you yourself had engaged in
- 25 other criminal activity unrelated to the charge in that federal

- 1 | court indictment; isn't that true?
- 2 | A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. And the other charges that you were aware that you were
- 4 involved in, had to do with bribery, correct?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. When you say "bribery", that is that you paid somebody,
- 7 | right? Somebody paid you or you paid somebody to do something
- 8 illegal, correct?
- 9 A. Someone gave me money to pay people, yes.
- 10 | Q. When you say somebody gave you money to pay people, what
- 11 | did they give you money to pay in those bribery cases? For
- 12 | what reason did they give you money to be paid out to others?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection; speculation.
- 14 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 15 A. To hold their horses back, fix races.
- 16 Q. So you took money and then you paid the money to others to
- 17 | hold horses back, correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 | Q. And that's not even part of this plea agreement in terms of
- 20 | the maximum sentence that you could face here in court today;
- 21 | is that fair to say?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 | Q. Because the government has said that they will not pursue
- 24 | those charges against you on bribery, correct?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And how many times were you involved in an act of bribery
- 2 during the last ten years or during the time that you were a
- 3 trainer?
- 4 A. The last ten years.
- 5 | Q. During the time that you were a trainer?
- 6 A. I couldn't tell you the amount of times.
- 7 | Q. Five?
- 8 A. I, honestly, sir, I couldn't tell you.
- 9 Q. Well, you would know if it was once?
- 10 A. It was more than five. I don't think it was over 20.
- 11 | Q. Okay.
- 12 A. That's an approximation.
- 13 | Q. Somewhere between five and 20; would that be fair to say?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 | Q. Of separate bribery instances, correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. How many riders of horses did you pay during the time that
- 18 you were involved in this bribery scheme?
- 19 | A. I couldn't tell you the amount. I don't know. I don't
- 20 know.
- 21 | Q. Was it one, two, 10?
- 22 | A. Maybe 10.
- 23 Q. And you realize that if you had those charges of bribery
- 24 against you, your potential sentence in any case, if convicted,
- 25 would be far substantially higher than five years, correct?

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THE COURT: Sustained.

Q. Did you have a discussion -- do you have any understanding about what being charged with bribery -- Let me rephrase that, judge.

If you were charged with bribery -- Withdrawn.

Prior to signing this agreement you had an understanding that you had other criminal activity that you can be held accountable for.

You understand that, correct?

- A. That's what I willfully admitted about before any agreement.
- Q. You entered into that agreement knowing that you had other criminal activity that you could be held accountable for, other than the one charged in this federal court indictment, right?
- A. Correct.
- Q. Could you admitted to a lot, correct?
- 18 A. I admitted to it, yes.
- Q. Right. And you knew that by having other criminal conduct that that would expose you to potential other criminal penalties for that conduct; did you know that?
- 22 A. Yes.
  - Q. And so one of the criteria for you to sign this agreement was the fact that you weren't going to face any additional penalties other than what's in that agreement, correct, that

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- the maximum penalty you can face is up to five years in jail? 1
- The judge will be notified what my crimes were and 2 Α. No.
- 3 could sentence me to more than that.
- 4 That's your understanding, the judge can sentence you to 5 more than the five years?
- 6 Correct. Α.

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- And you've read this agreement, correct?
- 8 Α. Yes, sir.
- 9 And at the end of day it is up to the judge to determine 10 what your sentence is, correct?
- 11 Α. Absolutely.
- 12 And when you say the judge can use those factors in her sentencing, that's what you are talking about, right?
- 14 Yes. Α.
- 15 Q. But there's no additional charges that are against you for
- those additional criminal acts; isn't that fair to say? 16
- 17 Correct. Α.
- 18 You didn't plead guilty to bribery, right?
- 19 Α. No, sir.
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- Q. And you didn't plead guilty to selling drugs without a license, correct?
- 3 | A. Correct.
- 4 | Q. And you didn't plead guilty to fixing races, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.

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- Q. So none of that you can't -- you were not going to be held accountable in any other court for those criminal acts as far as you know based on this agreement you have with the government?
  - MS. MORTAZAVI: Objection.
- 11 THE COURT: He can say what his understanding is.
- 12 A. My understanding is that I won't be prosecuted for those 13 crimes.
- Q. And that was an incentive for to you enter into this agreement, correct?
- 16 A. No. That wasn't necessarily an incentive. Incentive was
  17 to try and make right from my wrongs and tell the truth.
  - Q. Sir, are you telling us here today that incentive -- that was not an incentive, for you to enter into this agreement to avoid prosecution for those other crimes?
- A. At the time, I didn't think of it as that. But if you

  phrase it that way, I don't -- I don't -- honestly, sir, I

  don't know. I don't know off the top of my head how I feel.
- Q. So you don't know whether it was an incentive; is that what you're saying?

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I quess it could have been. I'm not -- I don't know right 1 now. I really don't. If it was an inventive in my mind or not 2

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4 Q. But was it an incentive in the agreement the hope that you 5 would get a 5K letter from the government? Was that an

an incentive at the time when I entered into it.

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- And was it an incentive entering into this agreement once you got that 5K letter, which is a letter by the prosecutor to the judge, that your sentence would be substantially less than it would be if you didn't have that 5K letter?
  - Sentence is up to the judge. They could write a letter just expressing my cooperation, but the final say is the judge makes my sentence.
  - Q. Absolutely. What did you want to happen when you signed this agreement, sir?
  - I would hope my cooperation would help me move forward with my life, and -- and possibly a lighter sentence, yes. But more, more than anything, sir, to just move forward and not backwards.
- 21 MR. FASULO: No further questions, Judge.
- 22 THE COURT: Thank you. Any redirect?
- 23 MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes, your Honor.

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- 3 | Q. Hello, again, Mr. Cohen?
- 4 A. Hello. Sorry, hello.
- Q. You were asked a few questions by Mr. Fasulo, and I'd just like to follow up on some of those, if I may.

You mentioned a moment ago when you were being questioned that you bought products from Lisa Ranger, as you knew her, that were vitamins or supplements; is that right?

A. Correct.

- Q. Did you also buy equipment from her? So, for example, needles --
- MR. FASULO: Objection, Judge. Leading.
- 14 THE COURT: The "for example" is leading.
  - Q. Was there anything else you bought from her -- what, if anything, did you buy from her that wasn't intended to enter the body of a horse?
    - A. I bought needles and syringes, yes. But needles can enter the body of a horse, so a little lost on clarity there. Sorry.
    - Q. Thank you for clarifying.
  - What, if any, drugs did you purchase from Lisa Ranger, as you knew her?
- A. I had bought, like we said yesterday, phenylbutazon,
  flunixin, collateral ACTH, iron sucrose, vitamin B12, folic
  acid, electrolyte jugs, vitamin C. That's just off the top of

my head.

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- All right. And yesterday you testified, and I believe this 2 Q.
- 3 morning you testified, that you received bleeding pills from
- her as well, correct? 4
- A. Yes, sir. 5
- Fair to say that you bought vitamin supplements and drugs 6
- 7 from her?
- 8 Α. Correct.
- 9 Q. At one point, Mr. Cohen, you stated that you don't know at
- 10 this point the definition of a performance enhancing drug; is
- 11 that right?
- 12 A. I just lost clarity over it over the course of the two
- 13 years now of what the real definition is at this point,
- 14 honestly.
- Q. Apart from the technical definition, what's your 15
- understanding? Do you have an understanding of what's 16
- 17 prohibited under the racing rules in New York State?
- 18 MR. FASULO: Objection. Time, Judge.
- 19 THE COURT: You can put a time frame on it, please.
- 20 Q. Mr. Cohen, before your arrest in this case, before March 9,
- 21 2020, focusing on that time period, did you have an idea of
- 22 what sorts of substances you're not allowed to use on a
- 23 racehorse in New York State?
- 24 Α. Yes.

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And you testified yesterday that you were licensed as a

- 1 | trainer in multiple states; is that correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. And what did you tell us in your testimony yesterday about
- 4 | whether or not you had to be familiar with the racing rules?
- 5 | A. You needed to know withdrawal periods for drugs.
- 6 Q. You were also asked by Mr. Fasulo about administering drugs
- 7 | to horses that won't race for several months or even a year.
- 8 Do you recall those questions?
- 9 | A. Yes.
- 10 | Q. And you testified that if you have no valid prescription,
- 11 | you cannot administer those drugs; is that correct?
- 12 | A. The veterinarian can.
- 13 | O. As a trainer?
- 14 A. I cannot.
- 15 Q. You were also asked some questions by Mr. Fasulo about the
- 16 course of training a racehorse. Do you recall those questions?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. What's the most stressful event a racehorse will
- 19 | experience?
- 20 MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 21 | THE COURT: He can testify to his understanding, if he
- 22 | has one. You better lay a foundation, actually.
- 23 | Q. You've trained your horses, Mr. Cohen?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. And what's the term of art that you use for training a

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- 1 horse?
- 2 | A. Train.
- 3 | Q. Have you heard of the terms jogging, breezing?
- 4 A. Jogging, yes. Breezing is more of a thoroughbred term.
- 5 Q. So you're familiar with various steps that a trainer would
- 6 | take to train a racehorse before a race?
- 7 A. Correct.
  - Q. And you've raced your racehorses, correct?
- 9 | A. Yes.

- 10 | Q. Okay. Based on your experience over the 30 years that you
- 11 | spent as a racehorse trainer, what's the most stressful event a
- 12 | racehorse endures?
- 13 A. The race itself.
- 14 Q. Do racehorses win purse money on days they train?
- MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 16 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 17 | A. No.
- 18 | Q. And you testified yesterday that horses that place at the
- 19 | end of a race earn purse money, correct?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 | Q. You were also asked about your cooperation agreement by
- 22 | both myself and Mr. Fasulo. Do you recall those questions?
- 23 | A. Yes.
- 24 | Q. And, specifically, the questions related to bribery or race
- 25 | fixing, correct?

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- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. Were you charged with those crimes at the time you told the
- 3 government about those crimes?
- 4 A. No, I was not.
- 5 | Q. And at that time, at the time you first told the government
- 6 about those crimes, were any promises made to you?
- 7 A. No. None were made.
- 8 | Q. And that cooperation agreement between you and the U.S.
- 9 Attorney's Office, is any other prosecutor's office part of
- 10 | that agreement?
- 11 | A. No.
- 12 | Q. And once again, that was an agreement between and you which
- 13 | party?
- 14 A. The U.S. Attorney's Office.
- 15 | Q. What's the maximum sentence you could face for the crime
- 16 | that you pled guilty to?
- 17 A. Five years in prison.
- 18 | Q. And, sir, you were also asked some questions about
- 19 | trainers' responsibility over racehorses. Do you recall those
- 20 | questions?
- 21 | A. Yes.
- 22 | Q. As far as you know, was that a defense to the crime you
- 23 were charged with?
- MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 25 THE COURT: Sustained.

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- 1 | Q. You were also asked questions, Mr. Cohen, about your
- 2 | interactions with several veterinarians. Do you recall those
- 3 | questions?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 | Q. The ones about Dr. Skelton?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 | Q. Dr. Grasso?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 | O. Dr. Fishman?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 | Q. Did you consider any of those individuals the veterinarian
- 12 | for your racehorses?
- 13 A. Dr. Skelton and Dr. Grasso.
- 14 | Q. Not Dr. Fishman?
- 15 | A. No.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: No further questions.
- 17 | THE COURT: Anything further, Mr. Fasulo?
- MR. FASULO: No, your Honor.
- 19 | THE COURT: All right. Mr. Cohen, you're excused with
- 20 the thanks of the Court.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Thank you, your Honor.
- 22 | THE COURT: Sir, please put your mask back on.
- THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 24 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 25 (Witness steps down)

- Mr. Gianforti, the government's next witness. 1 2 MR. GIANFORTI: Your Honor, the government calls 3 Lenny Eichsteadt. 4 THE COURT: Is he here with us? 5 MR. GIANFORTI: Yes. 6 (Pause) 7 DEPUTY CLERK: Good morning. Please raise your right 8 hand. 9 LENNY EICHSTEADT, 10 called as a witness by the Government, having been duly 11 sworn, testified as follows: 12 DEPUTY CLERK: Please state and spell your name for 13 the record. 14 THE WITNESS: Lenny Eichsteadt, L-E-N-N-Y, 15 E-I-C-H-S-T-E-A-D-T. DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you. You may be seated. Move 16 17 the mic so you can speak into it. 18 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Gianforti, please. 19 MR. GIANFORTI: Thank you. 20 DIRECT EXAMINATION 21 BY MR. GIANFORTI: 22 Good morning, Mr. Eichsteadt. Q. 23 Good morning. Α.
  - Q. Sir, where do you work?

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A. I work for the Food and Drug Administration, Office of

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- 1 | Criminal Investigation.
- 2 | Q. And what is your position, there?
- 3 A. I'm an investigative analyst.
- 4 | Q. How long have you been an investigative analyst with the
- 5 | FDA?
- 6 A. Four years.
- 7 | Q. What did you do before that?
- 8 A. I was a special agent and special agent in charge for the
- 9 U.S. Office of Personnel Management, Federal Investigative
- 10 | Services.
- 11 | Q. How long did you do that for?
- 12 A. I did that for about nine years.
- 13 | Q. And what did you do before that, sir?
- 14 A. I was in the Air Force for 20 year.
- 15 | Q. During your time at the FDA, had you participated in the
- 16 execution of search warrants at physical locations?
- 17 | A. Yes.
- 18 | Q. Approximately how many times?
- 19 A. Approximately 15 to 18 times.
- 20 | Q. Sir, directing your attention to October 27, 2019, did you
- 21 participate in any searches on that day?
- 22 | A. Yes, I did.
- 23 Q. Which locations did you search?
- 24 A. We searched a storage unit at 189 Linton Boulevard in
- 25 | 757 Delray Beach, Florida, a condo at 2565 South Ocean

- 1 | Boulevard, 412 North in Highland Avenue, and a business at 3500
- 2 Northwest Boca Raton Boulevard. I think it was unit 723 in
- 3 Boca Raton.
- 4 | Q. Thank you, sir. Who were those locations associated with?
- 5 A. Mr. Seth Fishman.
- 6 Q. How do you know that?
- 7 A. I was briefed that as part of the search warrant
- 8 preparation.
- 9 Q. Prior to the searches you conducted that day, had you been
- 10 | involved in any way in the investigation of Seth Fishman?
- 11 A. No, I was not.
- 12 | Q. Had you had any involvement in the investigation with
- 13 someone known as Lisa Giannelli or Lisa Ranger?
- 14 A. No, I was not.
- 15 | Q. What were you searching for that day?
- 16 A. We were searching for unapproved animal medications,
- 17 | anything used to process, make, or package that type of
- 18 | medications, along with any documents or anything affiliated
- 19 | with the unapproved manufacturing of those products.
- 20 | Q. How did you know what to search for?
- 21 A. We were briefed and shown the search warrant prior to
- 22 searching.
- 23 | Q. So, let's focus on the storage unit search. That's the one
- 24 | I believe you said 189 Linton Boulevard, right?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- Q. Which law enforcements agencies were involved in the search of that storage unit?
- A. The Food and Drug Administration and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.
  - Q. How many agents would you approximate were at the storage unit that day?
  - A. I would say about 15.
- 8 Q. What was your assigned role for the search?
- 9 A. I was the site evidence custodian. I was there to document
  10 any evidence that was seized on site.
- 11 | Q. What time did the search begin, approximately?
- 12 A. I think it was like 9:30.
- 13 | Q. In the morning or the evening?
- 14 A. In the evening.
- 15 Q. How long did the search take, approximately?
- 16 A. Approximately two hours.
- Q. All right. Sir, I'm going to show you a collection of photographs that have been marked for identification as
- 19 Government Exhibits 1300 through 1317 and 1319 through 1323.
- 20 MR. GIANFORTI: If I may approach, your Honor?
- 21 THE COURT: Sure.
- 22 | Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, do you recognize the photographs I just
- 23 | handed you?
- 24 | A. Yes.
- 25 | Q. What are they?

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- Well, this first photo is a graph of what appears to be package materials that were taken out of the unit, and we photographed that. I don't believe we took any of that.
  - What are those photos in general? Q.
- They're just general of the search warrant site and the evidence that was on site.
  - At the storage unit?
- Α. Yes.
  - MR. GIANFORTI: Your Honor, the government offers Government Exhibits 1300 through 1317 and 1319 through 1323.
- 11 THE COURT: Have you shown them to Mr. Fasulo?
- 12 MR. GIANFORTI: I have.
- 13 MR. FASULO: Yes, your Honor. No objection.
- 14 THE COURT: They'll be received in evidence.
- 15 (Government's Exhibits 1300-1317 and 1319-1323
- 16 received in evidence)

materials?

- 17 MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, can you please pull up for 18 the jury Government Exhibit 1310? And could you just zoom in a 19 bit on the center of the frame? Thank you.
  - Mr. Eichsteadt, what's depicted here?
  - It looks like packaging materials that were seized on site. Α.
- 22 And can you make out any of the text on these packaging
- 24 Α. It looks like it says SP Brands.
- 25 And do you see a logo on this packaging material?

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- 1 Yes. There's a logo of, like, a horse in -- in the red 2 packaging on the left.
  - Thank you. 0.

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- MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, can you please pull up Government Exhibit 1313?
- All right. Mr. Eichsteadt, what does this appear to be? 6 0.
  - This looks like the same thing, boxing or packaging
- 8 materials.
- 9 Q. Directing your attention to the upper right-hand corner of 10 the box at the bottom of the frame, do you see a logo there?
- 11 A. Yes. It's similar to a logo on the other ones. 12 another horse logo.
- 13 Q. What is the brand name that appears to be associated with this product here? 14
- 15 Α. The Lornoxicam or the QUI-cam.
- Above where it says Lornoxicam, what's the name there? 16
- 17 It looks like UI-cam. The first letter is like an upside 18 down C. I'm not really sure what that is.
- 19 Q. And do you see the white text that appears at the bottom of 20 that label?
- 21 Yes, for R&D and clinical trial use only.
- 22 What's in white text next to that? Ο.
- 23 Www.EOUI-science.com. Α.
- 24 MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, can you go back to the full 25 paragraph, please?

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- 1 Mr. Eichsteadt, do you see a logo in the middle of these 2 boxes?
- 3 It appears to be almost medical-like, but it looks like it's with a snake. 4
  - Okay. And below that, do you -- what text do you see?
- Logo of SPC. That says Specialized Performance Compounds. 6
- 7 MR. GIANFORTI: Okay. And Ms. Jung can you please --8 thank you.
  - Do you see the name Equestology anywhere on this product? 0.
- 10 No, I do not. Α.
- 11 Do you see the name Seth Fishman anywhere on this product?
- 12 Α. No, I do not.
- 13 Q. Thank you.
- 14 MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, can you please pull up 15 Government Exhibit 1318 which is in evidence? And could you 16 please zoom in on the top third? Thank you.
  - Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, this is a set of hard copy documents that was seized from the storage unit at 189 Linton Boulevard that's in evidence. What do these documents appear to be?
    - Α. This appears to be a bank statement.
- 21 From which bank? Q.
- 22 The First National Bank of Wyoming.
- 23 What date is this account associated with?
- 24 It starts with Equestology, Inc. And it says Seth I.
- 25 Fishman, Lisa M. Ranger.

- 1 | Q. Is there an address associated with this account?
- 2 | A. Yes. It is 125 Jennifer Lane, Felton, Delaware.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Thank you. You can take that down,
- 4 Ms. Jung.
- Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, what happened at the end of the search of
- 6 | the storage unit?
- 7 A. Once everything is completed, we make sure we have
- 8 documented everything on the inventory, and then we box it up
- 9 and we place it in the van that I drive, along with anything I
- 10 use to prep, like computer, table, so forth.
- 11 | Q. Did you personally fill out the inventory?
- 12 | A. Yes, I did.
- 13 | Q. Did you personally help load the van with items seized from
- 14 | the storage unit?
- 15 A. I would help once everything was done, yes.
- 16 Q. Where did you go after you were at the storage unit?
- 17 A. We then went to the condo unit.
- 18 | Q. What was your role there?
- 19 A. I was, again, the same as the storage unit. I was the
- 20 | evidence custodian on site.
- 21 | Q. I believe you referred to a business earlier; is that
- 22 || right?
- 23 A. Yes. The one on Boca Raton.
- 24 | Q. Yes. Did you go there some point that evening?
- 25 A. I did go there after we completed the condo unit.

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- Q. What was your role at the business?
- 2 A. I was there as more of an assistant. I wasn't the primary
  3 evidence custodian there.
- 4 Q. Do you recall what kinds of evidence were seized from the
- 6 A. They seized a lot of vials of medications.
- Q. Did there come a time when you inventoried the contents of certain freezers?
- 9 A. Yes. There was two freezers that were later taken from
  10 that business that were stored at the off-site storage location
  11 for my facility.
- Q. Okay. And did anybody help you with inventorying those
- 13 | freezers?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. Who was that?
- 16 A. Special Agent Jonathan Frick.
- 17 | Q. What was your role in inventorying the freezers?
- 18 A. I helped count, I documented the stuff on the inventory
- document, I helped take photos, helped package it up, and so
- 20 forth.
- 21 Q. All right. I'm going to hand you what's been marked for
- 22 | identification as Government Exhibits 4048, 4049, and 4050.
- Sir, do you recognize the exhibits that I just handed
- 24 you?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

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Excuse me. What are they?

- 2 A. The first one is a picture of what would be an evidence tag
- 3 of when we wrote down the description of what it was in and the
- 4 quantities.
- 5 Q. What are these photographs, generally?
- 6 A. These are generally just pictures we take of the evidence
- 7 | that we seize.
- 8 | Q. Did you take these photographs?
  - A. I don't know if I took these specific photos.
- 10 | Q. Okay. Do you know which search that these photos are
- 11 | associated with?
- 12 A. These are associated with the business.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Okay. All right. Your Honor, the
- 14 government offers Government Exhibit 4048, 4049 and 4050.
- MR. FASULO: No objection.
- 16 THE COURT: They'll be admitted into evidence.
- 17 | (Government's Exhibits 4048, 4049 and 4050 received in
- 18 | evidence)
- MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, can you please pull up all
- 20 | three of those, 4048, 4049, and 4050, please? Thank you.
- 21 | Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, directing your attention to Government
- 22 | Exhibit 4048 on the left. Do you see the label sort of at the
- 23 | top of the frame there?
- 24 A. Yes, I do.

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Q. Can you make out the text there?

- A. It says EMP/BB3.
- 2 MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, if you could zoom in on the 3 red piece of paper in 4049, please?
- 4 Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, can you make out the text that's reflected
- 5 here -- any of the text that's reflected here?
- A. At the top it says EMP BB3, and then it says 3M, and I can't really read the handwriting.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. It looks like -- at the bottom, it says Nancy, dark blue.
- 10 I'm not a hundred percent sure.
- MR. GIANFORTI: If you can go back to 4049, Ms. Jung?
- 12 | If you could zoom in on the vials at the bottom?
- 13 Q. Okay. Mr. Eichsteadt, what color is the cap on these
- 14 | vials, if you can make it out?
- 15 | A. It looks like it's dark blue.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, if you could go back out
- again and blow up 4050?
- 18 Q. What's depicted here, Mr. Eichsteadt?
- 19 A. It looks -- it's a vial. It looks like it's got a white
- 20 powder in -- a dark blue cap.
- 21 Q. Does it look like one of the ones we were just looking at?
- 22 | A. Yes, sir.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Actually, could we go back to 4049?
- 24 | Q. I think I neglected to ask you: What are we looking at?
- 25 A. These were vials that were in the freezer.

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MR. GIANFORTI: All right. Ms. Jung, could you please pull up Government Exhibit 403J, as in jack, which is in evidence? Thank you. Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, this is a text message exchange from October 2nd, 2019, between Lisa Giannelli and an individual using a phone number ending in 7577, which was extracted from a cell phone belonging to Ms. Giannelli that's in evidence. Can you please read into the record by working your way from the bottom to the top and indicating who the parties are, you know, who's sending it and who's receiving it? A. Well, this is being sent to 7577. It states: I was just informed the ventipulmin is on back order. I do have one here at the office. I will ship to you. Do you need anything else while I'm sending this? Folic, VO2 max, bleeding pills, iron, BB3? And then the response from 7577 is: What color top is the BB3? Sent back to 7577: Purple. The response was: I'll get some of those soon, but

not yet.

And sent back to 7577: Okay.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Gianforti, please find a convenient place for our morning break.

MR. GIANFORTI: Just a few more questions, your Honor.

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You can take that down Ms. Jung.

- Q. What happened to the evidence that was seized in connection with the three searches you were involved in October 27th and
- 4 28th, 2019?

- 5 A. After all the searches were completed, the items were
- 6 | transported to either -- the bulk items were transported to a
- 7 contractor storage facility. Anything that we seized at the
- 8 sites that was small and refrigerated was taken to my facility
- 9 | in my office, and the two freezers that were taken from the
- 10 | business were taken to out offsite storage so they could be
- 11 plugged in and maintained.
- 12 | Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, apart from the searches and the
- 13 | inventorying the freezers you mentioned, did you have any other
- 14 participation in this investigation?
- 15 A. I helped package up those frozen items that were in the
- 16 | freezer so they could be moved up to Boston. I think I shipped
- 17 some other evidence up to Boston at one point. And then that
- 18 was all as far as evidence. The only other thing was in
- 19 December when I assisted the FBI with destroying some products
- 20 from Mr. Fishman.
- 21 | Q. And in your experience with the FDA, is it routine to
- 22 destroy products?
- 23 MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 24 A. After it is done.
- 25 THE COURT: Overruled. You can finish your answer.

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THE WITNESS: Thank you.

A. We don't destroy until -- as far as, like, if the case is active --

MR. FASULO: Objection, Judge. Based on the --

MR. GIANFORTI: He's answering.

MR. FASULO: Objection.

THE COURT: Grounds?

MR. FASULO: May we approach quickly? I anticipate the answer to indicate a reason for doing it.

THE COURT: All right. Let's talk at sidebar quickly, and then we're going to take our morning break after we resolve this.

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1 (At the sidebar) MR. FASULO: I'm overly cautious. My understanding is 2 3 that he was going to say the case was over or that the case 4 ended up in a conviction or the case was concluded as to 5 Dr. Fishman, and I don't want that referenced in this case. 6 MR. GIANFORTI: Can I ask more general questions 7 about -- I could ask it more generally. You know --MR. FASULO: I'm not objecting that --8 9 MR. GIANFORTI: Is that in? Is that answer in, if 10 it's something that's done routinely? Did that come in? MR. FASULO: I couldn't --11 12 MR. GIANFORTI: I just wanted to ask if the actual 13 answer came in. 14 (Record read) 15 MR. GIANFORTI: What I would propose to do is simply ask whether it is routine in the course of FDA business to 16 17 destroy evidence that is no longer needed. 18 MR. FASULO: I'll allow the question because I think 19 it's a better question. 20 THE COURT: All right. 21 MR. FASULO: I have one question for this witness on 22 cross. 23 THE COURT: All right. Then we'll do that before --24 MR. GIANFORTI: And I think after this, I'm done. 25 THE COURT: That's your last question?

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1	MR. GIANFORTI: Yes.
2	MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, one thought I had. I
3	don't want the jurors to be left with the impression that
4	evidence is routinely destroyed, that it is unlawfully
5	destroyed. Could we have an instruction to that effect?
6	MR. FASULO: It doesn't matter to me. I think it's
7	unnecessary.
8	MS. MORTAZAVI: Could Mr. Gianforti ask a question
9	THE COURT: You think the jury cares one bit about the
10	destruction of the evidence?
11	MR. FASULO: There's no argument in this case that the
12	government destroyed evidence and we're not able to
13	THE COURT: You can ask a question about was it done
14	in compliance with routine policies or procedures, the law.
15	MR. FASULO: That's fine.
16	MS. MORTAZAVI: If he's allowed to ask that, I think
17	that answers the question.
18	THE COURT: Fine.
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(In open court)

THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, I'm going to ask you to bear with us a couple more minutes beyond our normal time for a morning break because the parties think they can move along.

- Q. Mr. Eichsteadt, is it routine based on your experience with the FDA to destroy evidence when it's no longer needed?
- A. If it is no longer needed, we'll destroy it.

Let me get to the mic.

When it is no longer needed, we'll destroy it.

- Q. As far as you're aware, that's consistent with the law?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And as far as you're aware, that's consistent with any internal FDA rules and regulations?
- 15 A. As far as I'm aware, yes.
  - Q. Apart from all the other actions you took in connection with this investigation, have you had any further involvement with this investigation?
- 19 A. No, I have not.
  - MR. GIANFORTI: No more questions.
- 21 MR. FASULO: Briefly, your Honor?
- 22 Can I have 403J put up, please?
- 23 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 24 BY MR. FASULO:
  - Q. Good morning, Agent.

- 1 You remember reading these text messages, correct?
- 2 | A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Other than reading those text messages here, you have no
- 4 association with these messages; is that fair to say?
- 5 | A. You are correct.
- 6 Q. And you were just asked to read it because it was put in
- 7 | front of you, correct?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. You don't know anything else about these messages or the
- 10 | content, correct?
- 11 | A. No, sir.
- MR. FASULO: No further questions.
- 13 | THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
- I assume no redirect?
- 15 MR. GIANFORTI: No redirect.
- 16 THE COURT: You're excused with the thanks of the
- 17 Court. If you could put your mask back on and leave the
- 18 | courtroom. Thank you.
- 19 (Witness steps down)
- 20 | THE COURT: All right. We're going to take our break
- 21 | now, ladies and gentlemen. Please leave your notebooks on your
- 22 | chairs along with the transcript binders. Please do not --
- 23 | have a seat until we're ready. Do not discuss the case while
- 24 you're on your break. Don't do any research about the case.
- 25 | I'll see you back here at 11:25 at the very latest. Okay?

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1 (Jury not present) 2 THE COURT: All right. Is there anything we need to 3 discuss right now? 4 MR. FASULO: Judge, we're going to review your 5 changes, and we'll get those to you before you come on the 6 bench. 7 THE COURT: Ms. Mortizavi, you were going to say something? 8 9 MS. MORTAZAVI: Well, I was going to refer to the 10 instruction. And I believe the parties are in agreement, 11 there's one point that I wanted to raise. And I think that our 12 next witness is going to be short, and then we'll then go 13 into --14 THE COURT: Let's do this when we come back from our 15 break. Why don't we try to come back in about 10 minutes?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Certainly.

THE COURT: Thank you.

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THE COURT: You wanted to speak about this proposed charge?

MR. FASULO: Yes, Judge.

MR. GIANFORTI: So, your Honor, I think we're comfortable with all of your edits, say one, which is where you wanted to swap in trial instead of prior proceeding. I think we've been all trying on -- both on the government's

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side and the defense side not to make reference to there having
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               THE COURT: I am okay with that. Is that your view,
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               MR. FASULO: Yes, Judge.
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               THE COURT: Otherwise, we're making the edits that
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               MR. GIANFORTI: Yes, indeed.
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               THE COURT: -- told you on the record.
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               MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Mortizavi actually went down to
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      input those edits and then she will come back.
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               MR. FASULO: Consent, Judge.
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               THE COURT: Consent, did you say?
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               MR. FASULO: Yes.
               THE COURT: Yes. Thank you. All right. So we'll
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      wait for Ms. Mortizavi and then bring the jurors out.
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               Here she is.
               MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, on the instruction, I was
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     printing off new versions. Do you want me to hand it up?
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               THE COURT: Sure.
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     Ms. Popper. If you have two copies, that would be great.
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               THE COURT: All right. Please be seated.
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               Mr. Gianforti.
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               MR. GIANFORTI: Thank you, your Honor.
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               The government calls Special Agent Jonathan Frick.
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               DEPUTY CLERK: Please enter the witness box.
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       JONATHAN FRICK,
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           called as a witness by the Government,
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           having been duly sworn, testified as follows:
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               Please state and spell your name for the record.
               THE COURT: Hold on. Please, gentlemen. Can you
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     please let the jury pay attention to what's happening up here?
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               MR. GIANFORTI: Apologies.
               THE COURT: I'm sorry. Go ahead, sir.
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               THE WITNESS: Jonathan Conrad Frick, J-O-N-A-T-H-A-N,
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      C-O-N-R-A-D, F-R-I-C-K.
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               DEPUTY CLERK: Thank you. Please be seated.
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               THE COURT: You can resume.
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               MR. GIANFORTI: I apologize. I was trying to be
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      efficient. Apologies.
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1 DIRECT EXAMINATION

- 2 BY MR. GIANFORTI:
- 3 | Q. Good morning, Special Agent Frick.
- 4 A. Good morning.
- 5 Q. Where do you work?
- 6 A. I work for the Food and Drug Administration's Office of
- 7 | Criminal Investigations.
- 8 Q. What's your title there?
- 9 A. I'm a special agent.
- 10 Q. Can you describe your general responsibilities as a special
- 11 | agent with the FDA?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. Our responsibilities are to investigate possible
- 13 | violations of products that the Food and Drug Administration
- 14 regulates to include drugs, biologics, veterinarian medicines,
- 15 | tobacco, pharmaceuticals, and food.
- 16 Q. How long have you been a special agent with the FDA?
- 17 A. Approximately eight years.
- 18 Q. What did you do before that?
- 19 | A. I was a special agent with the U.S. Secret Service.
- 20 | Q. During your time at the FDA, have you participated in the
- 21 execution of searches warrant in physical locations?
- 22 | A. I have.
- 23 | Q. Approximately how many times?
- 24 A. Approximately 40.
- 25 | Q. Directing your attention to October 27 and 28th, 2019, did

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1 you participate in any searches on that date?

A. I did.

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- Q. Which locations did you search?
- 4 A. I assisted with searching a self-storage warehouse that was
- 5 | located in Delray Beach, Florida. I was also present on scene
- 6 when they searched a residential condo that's located in
- 7 | Highland Avenue, Florida, and I assisted with a search at a
- 8 | business location located in Boca Raton, Florida.
- 9 | Q. Who were these locations associated with?
- 10 | A. Seth Fishman.
- 11 | Q. How do you know that?
- 12 A. Based on operational paperwork that was completed ahead of
- 13 | time.
- 14 | Q. Special Agent Frick, are you familiar with the term case
- 15 | agent?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 | Q. What does that term mean to you?
- 18 A. Case agent is the primary agent responsible for an
- 19 | investigation. They should have a comprehensive knowledge of
- 20 | all aspects of the case.
- 21 | Q. Were you the case agent in this particular investigation?
- 22 A. I was not.
- 23 | Q. Prior to the searches that you conducted on October 27 and
- 24 | 28th, 2019, had you been involved in any way in the
- 25 | investigation of Seth Fishman?

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- 1 Α. Yes, sir.
- 2 How so? Q.
- 3 A. At the request of the case agent, I participated in a
- surveillance on October 22 of 2019 at the business location. 4
- 5 Q. Prior to your searches, had you been involved in any way in
- 6 an investigation of someone named Lisa Giannelli or
- 7 Lisa Ranger?
- A. No, sir. 8
  - Q. All right. Just one moment. Okay.
- 10 Sir, what were you searching for at the three
- 11 locations that you searched on those days?
- 12 A. Evidence of violations of FDA law related to veterinary
- 13 medicines.
- 14 Were you looking for any particular items?
- Items that were listed in the attachment on the search 15
- 16 warrant.
- 17 Can you give some examples in general; if you recall?
- Α. I don't recall. 18
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- Q. How did you know what to search for?
- 2 A. There were multiple agents there who were more familiar
- 3 | with the investigation and we also had personnel there that
- 4 were trained in veterinary medicine.
- 5 | Q. Were you briefed prior to the searches?
- 6 | A. Yes, sir.
- 7 | Q. Did you come to understand from that briefing what you were
- 8 | looking for?
- 9 | A. I did.
- 10 | Q. What time did you -- where did you go fist?
- 11 A. The first site we went to was the self-storage unit in Del
- 12 Ray Beach.
- 13 | Q. What time was that, approximately?
- 14 | A. Approximately, seven P.M.
- 15 | Q. How long were you there?
- 16 A. I'd say an hour and a half.
- 17 | Q. Okay. Which law enforcement agencies were involved with
- 18 | that?
- 19 | A. The Food and Drug Administration, also criminal
- 20 | investigation add Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- 21 | Q. What was your role at the storage unit?
- 22 | A. I was assisting with the search and inventory of products.
- 23 | Q. Let's focus on the search of the business that you were
- 24 | involved in.
- 25 What time did you get there, approximately?

- 2 | Q. How long were you there, approximately?
- 3 A. I left at approximately 7 A.M. on the morning of the 28th.
  - Q. When you left, were there agents still at the scene?
- $5 \parallel A. \text{ Yes, sir.}$

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- Q. Focusing again on that business, how would you describe the premises that you searched?
- A. It was a commercial area that consisted of multiple large
  warehouse building structures that were divided into smaller
  spaces where different businesses operate.
  - Q. Skipping forward in time, did there come a time when you inventoried certain freezers that were seized from the
- 13 | business?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 | Q. And when did that occur, approximately?
- 16 A. Approximately, two weeks after the search warrant was
  17 executed.
- Q. What were inside -- what, if anything, were inside of those freezers?
  - A. There were multiple items that appeared to be veterinary medicine products similar to that.
- 22 MR. FASULO: Objection.
- 23 | THE COURT: What's the objection?
- MR. FASULO: What "appeared to be".
- 25 THE COURT: Overruled.

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- Special Agent Frick, I have on the table in front of me a 1 2 number of items. Do you recognize these?
- 3 Yes, sir. Α.
- 4 What they? Q.
- 5 Those are items that were seized at the search warrant. Α.
- The search warrant of what? 6 0.
- 7 Of the business location at Boca Raton. Α.
  - Okay. Were some of these items seized from the freezer?
- 9 They were located in the freezer, yes, sir. They were all 10 seized from the business location.
- 11 But some of them were outside the freezer; is that what you 12 are saying?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.

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- 14 Q. For the record, these items include items marked for 15 identification as Government Exhibits 9040, 9044, 9051, 9056, 9065, 9066, 9068, 9070, 9072, 9074, 9075, 9077 and 9078. 16
  - MR. GIANFORTI: Your Honor, the government moves to admit the exhibits that I just mentioned.
- 19 MR. FASULO: Without objection.
- 20 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Fasulo.
- 21 They are received in evidence.
- 22 (Government's Exhibits 9040, 9044, 9051, 9056, 9065,
- 23 9066, 9068, 9070, 9072, 9074, 9075, 9077, 9078 received in
- 24 evidence)
- 25 MR. GIANFORTI: All right.

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- Q. Special Agent Frick, apart from the searches that you were involved in in 2019 in the inventorying of freezers that you mentioned that took place after that, did you have any other involvement in this investigation?
- 5 | A. I did.
- 6 0. What was that?
  - A. At the request of the case agent I conducted the search warrant return to the judge.
    - Q. Okay. Anything else beyond that?
- 10 | A. No, sir.
  - MR. GIANFORTI: No further questions.
- 12 THE COURT: Mr. Fasulo?
- MR. FASULO: No questions.
- THE COURT: Thank you very much, sir. You can step down. Put your mask back on. Thank you.
- 16 (Witness excused)
- 17 THE COURT: The government's next witness.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Before the government calls its next witness, we would ask to play a few of the recorded calls.
- 20 | THE COURT: All of which are in evidence?
- 21 MR. GIANFORTI: Yes.
- 22 | THE COURT: All right.
- MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, could you please pull up

  Government Exhibit 141-B and 141-BT which the jury can follow

  along to in their binders and again, that's 141-B as in "boy",

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And for the record this is a call that was intercepted over Seth Fishman's phone from June 6, 2019, between Seth Fishman and John Pundyk.

Please go ahead and play the call, Ms. Jung.

(Audio played)

MR. GIANFORTI: Thank you.

Just one moment, your Honor.

(Pause)

MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, if you could please pull up Government Exhibit 141-F as in "frank" and Government Exhibit 141-F as in "frank-T". These are also in evidence.

For the record, this is another call intercepted over Seth Fishman's line between Seth Fishman and John Pundyk from June 6, 2019.

(Audio played)

MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, if you could pull up Government Exhibit 142-C as in "cat" and Government Exhibit 142-C as in "cat-T", which is also in evidence as well.

For the record, this is another intercepted call between Seth Fishman and John Pundyk from June 9, 2019.

(Audio played)

MR. GIANFORTI: Ms. Jung, if you could please pull up Government Exhibit 119-A as in "apple" and the corresponding transcript 119-A-T, both of which are in evidence.

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THE COURT: If you could do it from the podium,

MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes, your Honor.

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please. Thank you.

 $$\operatorname{MS.\ MORTAZAVI}$  . The stipulation has been marked as Government Exhibit 9017, your Honor.

THE COURT: Thank you.

MS. MORTAZAVI: I am going to skip the introductory sentences because the Court noted it's identical to prior stipulation.

Government Exhibit 1701 is a true and correct transcript of sworn testimony given by Courtney Adams at a prior proceeding on or about January 20 and 21, 2022, during which she was questioned by counsel for the United States of America and counsel for Lisa Giannelli.

The parties stipulate and agree that for the purposes of this proceeding, Ms. Adams is unavailable and need not provide live testimony.

It is further stipulated and agreed by and between the parties that the aforementioned government exhibit and this stipulation which is Government Exhibit 9017 may be received in evidence at trial.

And the government offers the stipulation and Government Exhibit 17001.

THE COURT: All right. The stipulation is an agreement between the parties and is evidence in this case, as is Government Exhibit 17001.

(Government's Exhibits 17001 received in evidence)

THE COURT: Are we proceeding to that at this point?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes.

THE COURT: Let me talk to you for a moment about 17001. The parties have also agreed jointly that they're going to have an employee from the United States Attorney's Office read out loud portions of that Government Exhibit 17001, which is a transcript of sworn testimony given by an individual named Courtney Adams at a prior proceeding.

You are being provided or you will be provided with copies of that exhibit, which is in evidence pursuant to the stipulation that you just heard. You're being given that exhibit so that you may follow the transcript as it is read into the record. You may carefully scrutinize this testimony and all other evidence in this case as I mentioned. The parties have jointly stipulated to the admission of this exhibit and they jointly agree to have this particular testimony read into the record.

All right. You may proceed, Ms. Mortazavi.

MS. MORTAZAVI: I would ask my colleagues to distribute copies of Government Exhibit 17001 and at that time if we could have Ms. Ruscigno take the witness stand.

THE COURT: Thank you.

Mr. Gianforti, do you have a copy for the Court?

MR. GIANFORTI: I do indeed.

(Pause)

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THE COURT: Do you have this electronically as well? MS. MORTAZAVI: No, your Honor. For the fact that we have exhibits that are referred to in the testimony. THE COURT: Do you have another copy that you can give to my clerk and courtroom deputy? MS. MORTAZAVI: We should, your Honor. THE COURT: Thank you. Before we proceed, may I see counsel for a moment at side bar? (Continued on next page) 

1	(side bar)
2	THE COURT: I just want to confirm for the record that
3	since she is not a witness providing evidence, she does not
4	need to be sworn.
5	MS. MORTAZAVI: That's our understanding.
6	MR. FASULO: That's our understanding.
7	MS. MORTAZAVI: Is there any objection from Mr. Fasulo
8	if I have her say her name and her occupation?
9	THE COURT: You've already said she's a representative
10	of your office.
11	MS. MORTAZAVI: Very good, your Honor. We'll start
12	reading the exhibit.
13	MR. FASULO: Judge, just so you know the process, I
14	believe Ms. Mortazavi is going to read the question and the
15	witness is going to read the answer throughout the whole.
16	THE COURT: Even when it's you?
17	MR. FASULO: Then she wants me to read the cross.
18	THE COURT: I would think you would want to read
19	MR. FASULO: Right. I do.
20	THE COURT: They are what they are. Sometimes it's
21	humbling.
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THE COURT: Ms. Mortazavi, I'd suggest you begin

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reading what's on the very first page. MS. MORTAZAVI: Certainly, your Honor.

Courtney Adams was called as a witness by the government having been duly sworn testified as follows:

Just for the record, for purposes of reading this exhibit into the record, I plan to read the questions and my colleague will plan to read the answers into the record.

THE COURT: Right. And just so the jury understands, we told you this is prior testimony given by Courtney Adams who was cross-examined by Mr. Fasulo on behalf of Ms. Giannelli in the prior proceeding. So when we get to the part that was the cross-examination, Mr. Fasulo will read the questions that will be answered then.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor.

THE COURT: Thank you.

- "Q. Could you please tell us first hold are you?
- "A. 34-years-old.
- And directing you to approximately 2012, did there come that time that you moved to south Florida?
- "A. Yes.
- When you moved to south Florida, why did you move there originally?
- I moved back from Australia and I didn't want to go back. "A.

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- I'm here where my grandmother was in search of a job.
- 2 "Q. At the time that you move to Australia, what was your
- 3 | education? When you move to south Florida, what was your
- 4 | educational background at that time?
  - "A. I had a bachelor's degree in conservation and ecology.
- 6 MS. MORTAZAVI: Ma'am, I'm going to ask you to raise
- 7 | your voice to the extent you can and lean in the microphone?
- 8 THE COURT: Thank you, Ms. Mortazavi.
- 9 "Q. When you arrived in south Florida, did there come a time
- 10 when you met an individual name "Seth Fishman"?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- 12 "Q. Ms. Adams, how did you meet Mr. Fishman originally?
- 13 | "A. We were introduced from a mutual friend.
- 14 | "Q. And when he was introduced to you, how was he introduced
- 15 | to you?
- 16 | "A. He was introduced as a friend of the friend that needed
- 17 help. He needed assistant work. So like personal assistant
- 18 | type work and then possibly with his business.
- 19 | "Q. And at that time, did you come to learn what sort of
- 20 | business he was running?
- 21 | "A. In the beginning it was pretty vague. It was just horse
- 22 | medicine. My friend thought that I would be interested since I
- 23 | like annals.
- 24 | "Q. Di you eventually learn what that business was called?
- 25 "A. Yes?

- 1 "Q. What was the business called?
- 2 | "A. Equestology.
- 3 | "Q. Did there come a point whether you began to work for
- 4 | Equestology?
- 5 | "A. Yes.
- 6 "Q. And approximately how long after you originally arrived in
- 7 south Florida did you begin working with Equestology?
- 8 "A. A few months.
- 9 "Q. So focusing you still at the time of 2012, had you begun working at Equestology by the end of 2012?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- 12 "Q. At that time when you began working with the Equestology,
- 13 | can you describe the physical workspace?
- 14 "A. I had my office in the spare bedroom in Seth's condo.
- 15 | "Q. Was anybody living in that same workspace?
- 16 | "A. Do you mean in that office or in the unit.
- 17 | "Q. In the unit please.
- 18 "A. Yes. Seth was living in the other bedroom.
- 19 | "Q. At that time when you were working out of the condo, did
- 20 | Fishman maintain any other physical space related to the
- 21 | business?
- 22 | "A. He had a storage unit that was used to store his things
- 23 | in.
- 24 | "Q. Through the course of time that you worked with
- 25 | Equestology, was additional physical space obtained?

"A. Yes.

- "Q. Can you describe what kind of space was obtained? 2
- 3 "A. Years later we attained an office space in another
- building that was being run by another business. They extra 4
- 5 room with its own interest and so Seth rented it out and we
- 6 turned that into my office.
- 7 "Q. When you mentioned the part of your job was acting as a
- personal assistant, can you describe the kinds of tasks that 8
- 9 you undertook as part of that role?
- 10 "A. Yeah. Picking up dry cleaning, grocery shopping, general
- 11 errands, picking him up, taking him to the airport, that kind
- 12 of thing.
- 13 "Q. With respect to your role at the business, at the time
- 14 that you began work, what were your typical day-to-day duties?
- 15 "A. Tracking e-mails. He wanted me to start an inventory
- system of everything that he had. Basically, organizing 16
- 17 everything to do with Equestology and then my main role besides
- inventory was to create labels for all of his products. 18
- "Q. Let me still focus on the early days working at 19
- 20 Equestology. At that time did you come to learn what kind of
- 21 products Equestology was selling?
- 22 "A. Yes. I had a general idea in the beginning.
- 23 And in the beginning, what was your general idea of what
- 24 was being sold?
- 25 "A. Equine pharmaceutical products to enhance performance.

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- "Q. Who was manufacturing these performance enhancing products at the time that you began?
- 3 | "A. One of his labs Numera Pharmacy, I believe.
  - "Q. Could you repeat the name?
- 5 | "A. I believe it was called Numera Pharmacy.
  - "Q. Do you know where that lab was located?
- 7 | "A. Somewhere in south Florida.
  - "Q. To your knowledge, who was giving directions with the content of the drugs to be manufactured?
- 10 "A. Seth Fishman did.
- 11 "Q. Ms. Adams, you mentioned a moment ago an inventory system.
- 12 Was there an inventory system for Equestology when you began in
- 13 | 2012?

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- 14 "A. Not that I was aware of.
- 15 "Q. When with you began working at Equestology, what were you
- asked to do with respect an inventory system?
- 17 "A. He wanted me to inventory all the products that he
- currently had, and then also inventory anything ordered, create
- an inventory system for the lab as well. So anything that he
- 20 would order and send to the lab, whether it be vials or raw
- 21 product, I was to keep track of everything.
- 22 | "Q. Did you develop an inventory system?
- 23 | "A. Yes.
- 24 "Q. When you arrived, before you developed the inventory
- 25 system what did you learn about how Equestology was keeping

- 1 | track of what drugs it had in stock?
- 2 | "A. I wasn't aware of any kind of inventory system besides
- 3 maybe an email or an invoice of the product being ordered in
- 4 | first place.
- 5 "Q. What system, if any, was there to keep track of which
- 6 drugs had expired or not?
- 7 | "A. There was none that I was aware of.
- 8 | "Q. Who was the owner of Equestology?
- 9 | "A. Seth.
- 10 "Q. To your knowledge did anybody else is have an ownership
- 11 | interest in the business?
- 12 | "A. Not that I was aware of, no.
- 13 | "Q. And can you describe what Seth Fishman's role at
- 14 Equestology was when you began working there?
- 15 | "A. He is the owner operator veterinarian.
- 16 "Q. Let me ask about the last portion. To your knowledge, did
- 17 | Fishman maintain a veterinarian license during your time at
- 18 | Equestology?
- 19 | "A. Yes.
- 20 | "Q. How often was Fishman treating annals when you worked at
- 21 | the company?
- 22 | "A. Maybe once or twice.
- 23 | "Q. And for how many, for how long did you work at the
- 24 | company?
- 25 "A. From 2012 to 2016.

- "Q. You mentioned a moment ago that you assisted Fishman with
  travel as well?
- 3 | "A. Yes.
- "Q. Ms. Adams, during your time at Equestology, are you aware

  of Dr. Fishman traveling at any point for the purpose of
- 6 treating annals?
- 7 "A. No.
- 8 "Q. Does that include with respect to trips that you were 9 aware of? Sorry. Let me rephrase.
  - Given that, are you aware of any time that Dr. Fishman traveled to the state of New York for the purpose of treating animals?
- 13 | "A. No.

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- "Q. Are you ware of any time that Dr. Fishman traveled to the state of Delaware for the purpose of treating animals?
- 16 | "A. No.
- 17 "Q. Was it among your duties at Equestology to maintain any patient files?
- 19 | "A. Can you elaborate on what you mean as "patient files"?
- 20 "Q. Did you maintain any documents relating to health of particular horses at Equestology?
- 22 | "A. No. I did not.
- "Q. When you began working for Equestology was anybody else working at the company?
- 25 "A. Yes.

- 1 "Q. And who was that?
- 2 | "A. Lisa Ranger.
- 3 | "Q. What was Lisa Ranger's role when you began working at
- 4 | Equestology?
- 5 | "A. She was a sales rep, as far as I know.
- 6 | "Q. Have you had an opportunity to review what's been marked
- 7 | for identification as Government Exhibits 1900 through 1905 and
- 8 | 1907 through 1913?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 | "Q. Can you tell me, without describing the substance, can you
- 11 | tell me in general what are those documents?
- 12 | "A. Emails either between Seth and I or Mary and I about
- 13 orders and other inventory related items.
- 14 "Q. And who is Mary?
- 15 | "A. Mary was my replacement when I decided to leave the
- 16 company.
- 17 | "Q. Are each of those documents related to your work at
- 18 | Equestology?
- 19 "A. Yes. I'm involved in them.
- 20 | "Q. Ms. Adams, if you could please turn to Government Exhibit
- 21 | 1907.
- 22 | "A. All right.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, at this time I'm stepping
- 24 | way from the government exhibit and I would like to ask
- 25 Ms. Jung to please pull up Government Exhibit 1907, which

- 1 | should appear on the jurors' screen.
- 2 | THE COURT: This is in evidence?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: This is in evidence through Government Exhibit 9006.
- 5 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 6 That's the stipulation, right?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct, your Honor. I am returning back to the exhibit, your Honor.
  - "Q. Ms. Adams, do you recognize this document?
- 10 | "A. Yes, I do.

- "Q. First, can you note the date for the record please on the email at the top of the document?
- 13 | "A. Monday, May 13, 2013.
- 14 "Q. In May of 2013, what was your role at Equestology?
- "A. I was the office manager in charge of everything officerelated, taking orders, shipping them out, that kind of thing.
- 17 "Q. Do you recognize the email address and names at the top of the document?
- 19 "A. Yes.
- 20 "Q. Who controlled email address Equestology@GMail.com?
- 21 | "A. Lisa Ranger.
- 22 | "Q. Below that, is that your email address?
- 23 | "A. Yes, it is.
- 24 "Q. Looking at the forwarded message where it begins "I would
- 25 keep the lower name", can you describe what you understood this

- 1 message to be about?
- 2 "A. It's instructions on the difference in the labeling
- 3 between the products that are photographed in the email and
- 4 basically asking me to change parts of it.
- 5 "Q. And on the forwarded message whose name appears in the
- 6 | "from" line?
- 7 | "A. Lisa Ranger.
- 8 | "Q. Who is it sent to?
- 9 "A. Seth Fishman.
- 10 "Q. And is that Seth Fishman's email account ending in Hotmail
- 11 | that appears there?
- 12 | "A. Yes.
- 13 "Q. If you would, please, just read the content beginning with
- 14 | "I would keep the lower"?
- 15 | "A. You want me to read it out loud?
- 16 "Q. Yes, please.
- 17 | "A. I would keep the lower name in white with black letters,
- 18 | i.e. methocarbamol, at this point the client needs to know that
- 19 equobacin is Robaxin. As you have it now with the lower name
- 20 | in blue or any other color it will fade into the bottle and the
- 21 | client's eye won't see it. They need to get used to the new
- 22 | name first. Then slowly fade it into the background of main
- 23 | label color.
- 24 | "Q. Let me ask you to stop there. Do you have an
- 25 understanding of what equobacin is?

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- "A. I don't know.
- "Q. I'm sorry, Ms. Adams. Your answer was, no, you do not? 2
- 3 "A. Correct. I do not know what that product is for
- 4 specifically.
- "Q. Ms. Adams, what was Lisa Range's role with respect to 5
- 6 creating labels for Equestology?
- 7 She would suggest edits so the customer could better
- understand what the product was. 8
- 9 "Q. And on this document where it refers to at this point "the
- 10 client needs to know." what's your understanding of who's
- 11 clients are being referred to here?
- 12 "A. Lisa's client.
- "Q. 13 Did you, in 2013 did you have clients at Equestology?
- 14 "A. No.
- 15 In your role at Equestology did you become familiar with **"**O.
- the identity of the Equestology clients? 16
- 17 "A. I knew their names when I would get shipped like order
- 18 requests, but I was not familiar with the client in more ways
- than that. 19
- 20 "Q. Did you have conversations at any point with Seth Fishman
- 21 regarding the nature of the business of the Equestology
- 22 clients?
- 23 "A. Yes.
- 24 "Q. What did Seth Fishman tell you about the nature of the
- 25 business of the Equestology clients?

- 1 "A. That we specialized in making performance products.
- 2 | "Q. For what products for what purpose?
  - "A. For horses that were untestable.
- 4 | "Q. You testified a moment ago that at this time you did not
- 5 | have clients. Were you familiar with who at Equestology did
- 6 have clients associated with their own business?
- 7 | "A. Yes.

- 8 "Q. Apart from Ms. Ranger, who else at Equestology had
- 9 clients?
- 10 "A. Lisa was the only one working for Equestology that had
- 11 clients.
- 12 | "Q. At any point did Seth Fishman have his own clients at
- 13 | Equestology?
- 14 | "A. Yes.
- 15 | "Q. In the course of your time at Equestology, did you become
- 16 | familiar with whose clients were associated with Fishman and
- 17 | whose clients were associated with Ranger?
- 18 "A. For most part, yes.
- 19 | "Q. From your time the Equestology did you become familiar
- 20 | with the address associated with Equestology clients?
- 21 | "A. Yes.
- 22 | "Q. Did you participate in preparing shipments to Equestology
- 23 | clients?
- 24 | "A. Yes, I did.
- 25 "Q. Did that include preparing statement shipments for Lisa

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- 1 Ranger's clients?
- 2 | "A. Yes.
- 3 "Q. Did you personally assist in shipping products to Lisa
- 4 Ranger's clients?
- 5 Na. Yes, I did.
- 6 "Q. From that part of your business in Equestology did you
- 7 | become familiar with where Lisa Ranger's clients were located?
- 8 | "A. Yes.
- 9 "Q. And in general what part of the world were they located
- 10 || in?
- 11 A. They were in the northeast of the United States.
- 12 | "Q. Ms. Adams, now if I could ask you to look again at the
- 13 some exhibits in front of you, and specifically, if you could
- 14 lease look at what has been marked for identification as
- 15 Government Exhibits 401-S.
- 16 | "A. Okay.
- 17 | "O. Through 401-FF and 401-II?
- 18 | "A. Okay.
- 19 "Q. Do you recognize those documents?
- 20 | "A. Yes, I do.
- 21 "Q. Without referring to substance, can you tell us what are
- 22 | those?
- 23 | "A. They are text messages between Seth and I.
- 24 | "Q. Do these messages relate to your business at Equestology?
- 25 A. Yes, they do.

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- 1 "Q. And in the exhibit it states the following:
- 2 MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if we could please pull put 3 up what's now in evidence as 401-T please.

And, your Honor, stepping away from the exhibit, I'll ask Ms. Jung to please pull up Government Exhibit 401-T which is in evidence through stipulation of Government Exhibit 9008.

(Pause)

- MS. MORTAZAVI: Turning back to Government Exhibit 1701.
- "Q. If you could look at 401 D could you describe more, specifically, what is this document?
- 12 "A. It's text between Seth and I about the message I received 13 from Lisa about his vet license.
- 14 "Q. Who is Lisa?
- 15 | "A. Lisa is the sales rep.
- 16 "Q. Is that he same "Lisa Ranger" you mentioned a moment ago?
- 17 | "A. Yes.
- 18 "Q. On this document the number ending in "2600", whose number 19 is that?
- 20 "A. That is mine.
- 21 "Q. And the phone number ending in "9286", whose number is
- 22 | that?
- 23 | "A. Seth's.
- 24 "Q. Who sent this message to him?
- 25 A. I sent it to Seth.

- "Q. Could you note the date for us please?
- 2 | "A. June 10, 2015.
- 3 "Q. By June 2015, had your role at Equestology changed in
- 4 away?

- 5 "A. I may have started trying to like training on how to do
- 6 sales at this point. I can't be sure of the exact timeline.
- 7 "Q. Okay. Did there come a time that you were asked to engage
- 8 | in sales of Equestology products?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 "Q. Did you agree to do that?
- 11 "A. To a certain extent, yes.
- 12 | "Q. Did you yourself have clients when you began operating
- 13 | with sales?
- 14 | "A. Yes.
- 15 | "Q. In this document can you describe what you're relying to
- 16 | Seth?
- 17 | "A. I'm saying that Lisa told me that she does not have a vet
- 18 | license. She only has a business license but she's sending me
- 19 | a link that shows all the information on it basically.
- 20 | "Q. Who's vet license did you understand Lisa to be referring
- 21 | to?
- 22 | "A. To Seth's.
- 23 | "Q. In your work at Equestology, were you familiar with the
- 24 use of Seth Fishman's veterinary license with respect to that
- 25 | business?

- "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. What was the nature of how Seth Fishman's veterinary
- 3 | license was used by Equestology?
- 4 | "A. Yes. It was used, we had many different companies that we
- 5 | would order what we call API or pharmaceutical products from
- 6 that required his vet license to be on file in order to get
- 7 | them. It was used for that and then it was also used for him
- 8 | to be able that legally practice veterinary medicine.
- 9 "Q. Ms. Adams, if you could also look at 401-W.
- 10 | "A. Okay.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And stepping away from this exhibit, I
- 12 am going to ask Ms. Jung to please put up Government Exhibit
- 13  $\parallel$  401-W on the screens and this is an item in evidence.
- 14 THE COURT: Through the same stipulation, 9008?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct, your Honor. This is an
- 16 extraction from Seth Fishman's cellphone.
- 17 THE COURT: Thank you.
- 18 MS. MORTAZAVI: Turning back to Government Exhibit
- 19 | 17001.
- 20 "Q. Do you recognize this document?
- 21 | "A. Yes.
- 22 | "Q. What is this document?
- 23 "A. This is a text between Seth and I.
- 24 | "Q. And can you describe the content of the document?
- 25 | "A. Yep. I'm forwarding a message from Lisa asking, she's

- asking me, doc needs to send blood builder to one of her clients that she names.
- 3 | "Q. What was your understanding of who "doc" was?
- 4 | "A. "Doc" is Seth Fishman.
- 5 "Q. And what's your understanding of what was meant by "blood builders"?
- 7 "A. I'm not -- it's product we have. I'm not sure what it is.
- 8 | I just know that's what it's referred to.
- 9 "Q. Did you participate in any away in developing thing the 10 chemical makeup of any of the Equestology products?
- 11 | "A. Not -- can you rephrase the question?
- 12 "Q. Sure. Did you assist in any way in designing Equestology products?
- 14 "A. Only the labels.
- 15 | "Q. Are you familiar with who "Paul Ministrelli" is?
- 16 "A. I have heard the name. I don't know anything more about
- 17 | him.
- 18 "Q. Beginning of this says "from Lisa". Did you receive a
- 19 | message were Lisa Ranger before sending this message?
- 20 | "A. Yes.
- 21 "Q. How was that message from Lisa conveyed to you?
- 22 | "A. Exactly as I copied and pasted it. Exactly as it shows.
- 23 | "Q. If we could -- well, let me ask. Your role at Equestology
- 24 by 2015, had you developed any kind of inventory system?
- 25 | "A. Yes.

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- "Q. Were you maintaining Equestology records electronically or in hard copy by 2015?
- 3 | "A. Electronically, yes.
- 4 "Q. Did you maintain any prescription records on file at
- 5 | Equestology?
- 6 A. Can you be more specific?
- 7 | "Q. Did you maintain any prescription records for Lisa
- 8 Ranger's clients at Equestology?
- 9 | "A. No.
- 10 "Q. Did you ever ask Lisa Ranger to send a request for written
- 11 | prescription?
- 12 | "A. No.
- 13 "Q. When, if ever, did Lisa Ranger ask you to schedule an
- 14 appointment for Dr. Fishman to examine horse reforming to her
- 15 | clients?
- 16 | "A. Never.
- 17 | "Q. Let me ask you to turn in the exhibit binder in front of
- 18 you to what has been marked are identification as 402-H.
- 19 "A. Okay.
- 20 "Q. Do you recognize that document?
- 21 "A. Yes.
- 22 **"**Q. What is it?
- 23 | "A. It's a series of texts between Seth and I.
- 24 | "Q. Do these texts relate to your work at Equestology?
- 25 A. Yes, they do.

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MS. MORTAZAVI: And for the record Ms. Jung has just displayed for the jurors that Government Exhibit 402-H.

THE COURT: That is in evidence?

- MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct, your Honor, pursuant to the same stipulation. For the record, this is an extraction from Seth Fishman's cellular phone.
- "Q. Ms. Adams, if you could now look at 402-H. In particular, focus on the first two lines here, can you tell me the date that appears on those messages?
- "A. January 1, 2013.
- 11 "Q. And what is the discussion in these two lines relating to?
- 12 | "A. Labels for products.
- 13 | "Q. Which products are those?
- 14 "A. The products that Seth was make going.
- What was being could be conveyed to you about the labels at that time?
  - "A. That a person named "Ryan" messed something up or that he was angry with him because he did not understand the conversation they had about designing the labels.
    - "Q. With respect to the second message in text reading, ask him about cleaning up logos and if he has any memory of Equestology logo and manipulating at "E".
    - what did you understand Fishman to be referring to here?
  - "A. On the Equestology logo the "E" is larger. And that is

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- kind of like the one letter that stands out in the logo. And
  he wanted him to make it cleaner so it was more pronounced. It
  wasn't lost in the logo. It was bold so the customer would see
- 5 "Q. In general, what was Fishman's role in designing logos for 6 Equestology?
  - "A. He would give me or anyone else designing them all the information to go on the logo and then from there I would take it and edit it so it looked clean, orderly, professional looking.
- "Q. The logo itself, was that on a label or on some other part of the product?
- 13 | "A. It was on the label.

that first so it would look nice.

- "Q. Ms. Adams, did you participate in designing one label or multiple labels?
- 16 "A. Multiple labels.
- "Q. Did you design those label at Fishman's direction or on your own initiative?
- 19 "A. Fishman's direction.
- "Q. Did you include information relating to the contents of the products on all of the labels or only on some of the labels?
  - "A. Kind of hard to answer. So they would always have ingredients, but sometimes it wouldn't list exactly what was in
- 25 | it. It would say "proprietary blend".

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- 1 "Q. Did you ever ask Fishman what was in the proprietary blend 2 for any Equestology product?
- 3 | "A. A few times, yes.
- 4 | "Q. What was his response?
- That was protected information and he was allowed to put that on the label because it was his formula. He didn't have
  - "Q. Were there some products that had no label so, whatsoever?
- 9 | "A. Yes.

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10 "Q. What kind of products were those?

to disclose every single thing in it.

- 11 "A. I'm not really sure what they were.
- 12 "Q. Did you ever ask Fishman what those products were?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. And what was his response to that?
- 15 | "A. That I didn't need to know the details.
- 16 "Q. Those product, the unlabeled products, were those shipped
- 17 | outside of Equestology with no label on it?
- 18 | "A. Yes.
- 19 "Q. Who directed you to ship the unlabeled products?
- 20 | "A. Seth would or I would get an order from Lisa, but then
- 21 Seth would confirm that the items that Lisa Ranger had asked
- 22 | for, were indeed the unlabeled products.
- 23 "Q. Ms. Adams, focusing on the first two lines from Fishman to
- 24 you, what did you understand him to be conveying to you here?
- 25 | "A. That he was angry I was not working more and that in the

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second message he is referencing to Lisa Ranger making a certain amount of money and that if I put more time and initiative, I could do the same thing.

MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm going to step away from this exhibit, Government Exhibit 17001 and ask Ms. Jung to go back to the main image ever Government Exhibit 402 H.

(Pause)

MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if you could focus on the green portions, just the top two columns and we'll give the jurors a moment to read those messages.

(Pause)

- MS. MORTAZAVI: Turning back to Government Exhibit 17001.
- "Q. What kind of work did you understand Fishman to be incentivizing you to perform?
- 16 | "A. Sales.
  - "Q. Sales of what kinds product?
  - "A. Sales of all of the product that he made.
- 19 "Q. In 2013 were you engaged in sales of Equestology products?
  - "A. Not by myself, no.
- 21 "Q. With other people?
- 22 | "A. No. What I mean is I didn't have clients of my own. So I
- 23 would talk to clients of Seth's. Sometimes they would send me
- 24 | their orders directly but I was not their salesperson.
- 25 | "Q. Ms. Adams, do you see what's marked as line 4325?

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1 "A. Yes.

MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm going to direct Ms. Jung so focus founds that guideline in Government Exhibit 402-H.

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- MS. MORTAZAVI: We'll give the jurors a moment to view that portion of the exhibits.
- "Q. If you could look at that and then the text on the next page and let us know what that conversation is about please?

  "A. Okay. It is me asking Seth about what we want.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, you can take down the blown-up portion of this exhibit.
- 12 "Q. Ms. Adams, if you could start with the top line "4325".
  - "A. That is remembering to how much he wants me to put on a customs form for shipping product, how much he wants the product to be labeled as.
- 16 "Q. What did you mean when you wrote "bleeder".
- 17 | "A. That's the name of one of the products.
- "Q. Your name at Equestology, are you familiar with the
  purpose of "bleeder"?
- 20 | "A. No.
- 21 | "Q. Did you ever ask Seth what the purpose of "bleeder" was?
- 22 | "A. Yes.
- 23 | "Q. What was his response?
- 24 "A. To be honest, I don't remember. There was a lot of 25 descriptions of things that I didn't really understand what

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- 1 exactly they did.
- 2 | "Q. You mentioned yesterday your educational background. What
- 3 was your field of study?
- 4 | "A. Ecology and conversation biology.
- 5 "Q. Have you ever studied veterinarian med?
- 6 "A. No.
- 7 | "Q. Have you ever studied pharmacology?
- 8 | "A. No.
- 9 "Q. When you refer to customs forms, to where was Equestology
- 10 shipping product?
- 11 "A. For the most part, to the UAE.
- 12 | "Q. The United Arab Emirates?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. Were there any other countries outside of the United
- 15 | States to which Equestology shipped its products?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 "O. What countries were those?
- 18 "A. Singapore. I know there's Saudi Arabia and there may have
- 19 been one or two others randomly but I can't remember what they
- 20 were.
- 21 | "Q. On this line when you refer to having 970 ready to ship,
- 22 | that's 970 what?
- 23 | "A. Vials.
- 24 | "O. Vials of what?
- 25 A. Of bleeder.

"Q. And focusing you go here on top three lines, Ms. Adams -
MS. MORTAZAVI: For the record, I'll ask Ms. Jung to

focus on those top three lines, the top three lines the

Government Exhibit 402-H.

THE COURT: Thank you.

(Pause)

MS. MORTAZAVI: Turning back to Government Exhibit 17001. Focusing here, I am going to restate the question.

- "Q. Focus here on the top three lines, Ms. Adams, what did you understand Fishman's response to you to mean?
- "A. He says like 75 cents each, which means I would put each vial at a value of 75 cents.
- 13 | "Q. Were vials of the bleeder product sold for 75 cents?
- 14 | "A. No.

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- 15 | "Q. Were they sold for more than 75 cents?
- 16 | "A. Yes.

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- 17 "Q. What was your understanding of why 75 cents was to be used
  18 on this customs form?
- 19 "A. To keep the total commercial value under a certain limit.
- 20 "Q. What was your understanding of what the purpose of that 21 false information to be?

I don't know for sure.

- 23 "Q. Thank you.
- Could you look at this block of communications that tells you what the conversation is about?

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- "A. It is about us all being somewhere together and that it was going to meet with Dr. Vernon, and Seth would be there as well. But I had invited a friend that they did not know and he was not comfortable talking about anything in front of this person.
- "Q. So let me walk through --
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And, Ms. Jung, for the record, you can take this exhibit down. .
- "Q. Again turning back to Government Exhibit 17001. So let me walk through some of that and clarify exactly who you are talking about? Who was meeting together around that time?
- "A. Seth Fishman, Geoff Vernon, myself and my friend referred
  to as Jeff.
- "Q. Your friend Jeff, does he spell his name with a "J" or "G"?
- 16 | "A. "J".
- 17 | "Q. Who is Geoff Vernon?
- 18 "A. Geoff Vernon is a vet.
- 19 "Q. Did Geoff Vernon have any relationship with Equestology?
- 20 | "A. He brought products from us.
- 21 "Q. And Geoff Vernon, does he spell his name with a "G" or
- 22 "J"?
- 23 | "A. A "G".
- 24 "Q. As you reviewed this conversation, what, if anything, was
- 25 | Fishman conveying to you in this conversation?

- 1 "A. That no business was going to be discussed as long as my friend, Jeff, was sitting there.
  - "Q. And your friend Jeff is not Geoff Vernon the vet; is that correct?
  - "A. Correct.
    - "Q. Ms. Adams, did you know what the business was that would be discussed but for the presence of your friend?
- 8 | "A. Yes.

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- 9 "Q. Did Seth Fishman tell you what the business that would
  10 have been discussed but for the presence of your friend, Jeff
  11 was?
- "A. Is this a yes or no question? It's little more not asblack and white.
- "Q. Did Seth Fishman explain to you the business that would be discussed but for the presence of your friend?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 "Q. And what did he explain to you?
- "A. They were to be discussing future products, development ofproduct, use of products we already had, basically, ongoing
- 20 business and future business.
- 21 | "Q. If we could scroll down to the second to last line here.
- 22 | "A. Okay.
- "Q. On the second to last line where Fishman writes, no, you were talking to U.S. Olympic vet and theoretically have an NDA.
- 25 What is your understanding of what he meant by an NDA?

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- 1 "A. "Nondisclosure agreement".
- 2 | "Q. Did you in fact have a nondisclosure agreement with
- 3 || Fishman?
- 4 "A. No.
- 5 "Q. Were you ever asked to enter into a nondisclosure
- 6 | agreement?
- 7 | "A. Yes.
- 8 "Q. Who asked you to do that?
- 9 | "A. Seth did.
- 10 "Q. And did he explain the purpose for having you sign an NDA?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- 12 "Q. What did he tell you?
- 13 | "A. That it would protect him and I against me having to
- 14 answer questions to anyone else about his business.
- 15 | "Q. Did he discuss who might be asking questions about his
- 16 | business?
- 17 | "A. Yes.
- 18 "Q. And who were among the people that Fishman told you he was
- 19 concerned would ask questions about his business?
- 20 | "A. There was quite a few people. The FDA, any regulatory
- 21 person, basically, any authority that has to do with horses.
- 22 | "Q. Ms. Adams, a question about the organization at
- 23 | Equestology. With respect to the labels that were that you
- 24 were assisting and designing, would you store electronic copies
- 25 of those labels?

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- 1 "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. Where do you store electronic copies of those labels?
- 3 "A. In our Drop Box account.
- 4 | "Q. What is a Drop Box account?
- 5 "A. It is a cloud-based system where you can store all kinds
- 6 of files and pictures.
- 7 | "Q. Who, if you know, setup the Drop Box account for
- 8 | Equestology?
- 9 | "A. I did.
- 10 "Q. Who asked you to do that?
- 11 "A. Seth Fishman.
- 12 "Q. Apart from labels, did you maintain any other kinds
- documents or records on the Equestology Drop Box account?
- 14 "A. Yes.
- 15 | "Q. Did the Drop Box account contain solely records relating
- 16 to Equestology business?
- 17 | "A. No.
- 18 "Q. What other kinds documents were found on the Drop Box
- 19 | account?
- 20 | "A. I had personal pictures and other items on there that were
- 21 | mine.
- 22 | "Q. Who had access to the Equestology Drop Box account?
- 23  $\parallel$  "A. Seth and I.
- 24 | "Q. Did anyone else have access to the Equestology account so
- 25 | far as you know?

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- 1 "A. Mary Fox did at one point later down the road.
- "Q. If you wouldn't mainly pulling up what's in evidence from
  yesterday as Government Exhibit 1908 please.
  - MS. MORTAZAVI: And I would ask Ms. Jung to please pull up that exhibit or jurors.
  - Your Honor, this is in evidence pursuant to stipulation, this is a record from Equestology.
  - "Q. Ms. Adams, when you have that can you tell what this email chain is referring to?
  - "A. Okay. It's an email from Lisa Ranger to me asking me to send product to person called Richard Banca.
- "Q. Below that, the second email on the chain, what was your response?
- 14 "A. Okay. What did you need sent? I will send it on Monday.
  - "Q. What was your understanding first of who Doc was?
- 16 "A. Doc is Seth Fishman.
- 17 | "Q. Do you know a person named "Richard Banca"?
- 18 "A. No.
- 19 "Q. Was Richard Banca ever a client of yours?
- 20 | "A. No.
- "Q. Where Ranger says you can send them that me or them directly, what did you understand her to be directing you to
- 23 do?
- 24 | "A. I can either send the order directly to Richard or to her.
- 25 | "Q. And from this email, did you know what "stuff" referred

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- 2 "A. Product that we made. It didn't specify.
- 3 "Q. Before you would send product to a client of Ranger, how
- 4 | would you verify which products to send?
- 5 | "A. If she would, if there was a list with names on them, then
- 6 I would know exactly what to send. Otherwise, I would have to
- 7 confirm with Seth if it was just generalized.
- 8 | "Q. Did Equestology employ sales representatives?
- 9 "A. On the books.
- 10 | "Q. At all.
- 11 "A. Lisa was our sells rep as far as I know.
- 12 | "Q. Could I ask you now to turn to the next exhibit in
- 13 | evidence. It's 1909.
- 14 "A. Okay.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm going to ask Ms. Jung to please
- 16 pull up Government Exhibit 1909.
- 17 | "Q. Going back to Government Exhibit 1701. Do you recognize
- 18 | this document?
- 19 | "A. Yes.
- 20 \| "O. What is this document?
- 21 | "A. This is a document that Lisa had with her of all the
- 22 products that she sold.
- 23 | "Q. At the top inventory travel sheet where it reads
- 24 | "inventory travel sheet", Ms. Adams, did you travel for purpose
- of selling Equestology products?

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- "A. 1 No.
- "Q. Does this document contain a full inventory of all 2
- 3 Equestology products?
- "A. 4 No.
- 5 "Q. Did you maintain a base of clients in Delaware at any
- 6 point?
- 7 "A. No, I did not.
- "Q. Who among the people at Equestology maintains Delaware 8
- 9 clients?
- 10 "A. Lisa Ranger.
- 11 THE COURT: Ms. Mortazavi, we are not going to get
- 12 through all of this before the lunch break. So please find a
- 13 point soon that's a convenient breaking point. I am asking you
- 14 to do that a little bit early today because just to remind
- 15 everyone we said we are going to break for day at three
- o'clock. So we'll take lunch slightly earlier today. 16
- 17 MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, there are a few lines
- 18 discussing this exhibit if we can?
- 19 THE COURT: Sure.
- 20 MS. MORTAZAVI: It's through not quite the end of next
- 21 page.
- 22 THE COURT: That's fine. You find where it makes
- 23 sense to break.
- 24 MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor.
- 25 Before I turn back to Government Exhibit 1701,

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- "Q. Did you ever ask Seth Fishman what endurance is?
- "A. Not to my knowledge, no.
- 3 | "Q. If we could go over to the -- pardon me. If we could go
- 4 | to the right-hand column on the top and on the line reading
- 5 hormone therapy pack. Did you ever discuss with Fishman the
- 6 purpose of the hormone therapy pack?
- 7 | "A. No.
- 8 | "Q. It's in the middle of the screen, oxytocin. Did
- 9 | Equestology sell oxytocin?
- 10 | "A. Yes."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, we should probably break at this point before pulling up the next exhibit.
- THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, please leave the
- 15 your chairs. We'll break for lunch, and if everyone can be
- 16 back by 1:15. Please do not discuss the case with one another

exhibit as well as your notepad and the transcript binder on

- or do any research or talking about the case outside of what
- 18 you hear in the courtroom. The witness, in effect, remains
- 19 under oath. All right. We'll recess now for lunch.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Pardon me, your Honor. The witness
- 21 was never placed under oath.
- 22 THE COURT: Not this witness. Ms. Adams.
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Understood.
- 24 | THE COURT: All right. Thank you. Just so the jury
- 25 | is clear, this person in the witness stand is not a witness.

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               MR. FASULO: Not from the defense.
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               THE COURT: I'll see everyone be back a little before
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      1:15 so we can promptly resume at 1:15.
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               THE COURT: Please be seated, everyone.
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               All right. Ms. Mortizavi, please.
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               MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor.
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      Government Exhibit 17001, Page 120, Line 22.
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      Exhibit 1910?
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               Ms. Adams, what is this conversation about?
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               MS. MORTAZAVI: And before you continue, Ms. Jung, if
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      you could pull up Government Exhibit 1910, which, again, is in
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      evidence by stipulation?
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               I'll return to Government Exhibit 17001.
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      easier to read. Changing a few things on them.
      "Q. What was the product that you were discussing?
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      "A. Pain shot.
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      "Q. And from your time at Equestology, do you have an
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      understanding of what pain shot is?
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      "A. Not exactly, no.
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      "Q. Did you ever discuss pain shot with Seth Fishman?
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      "A. Possibly.
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- 1 "Q. Do you have a clear recollection of whether you did or not?
- 2 | "A. I know I asked him about almost everything, but the answers
- 3 | I do not remember.
- 4 "Q. Could you tell us the date of the top e-mail here?
- 5 "A. November 22, 2015.
- 6 "Q. By November of 2015, had your role changed at Equestology?
- 7 | "A. Yes.
- 8 "Q. Where were you living at this time?
- 9 "A. I might have been back in Idaho at this time.
- 10 "Q. Did there come a time when you left Florida while you were
- 11 still working for Equestology?
- 12 | "A. Yes.
- 13 | "Q. And at that time, when you left Florida, what role did you
- 14 play in the company?
- 15 | "A. I was doing sales.
- 16 | "Q. One of the participants on the e-mail, Mary Fox -- who is
- 17 | Mary Fox?
- 18 "A. Mary Fox was the new office manager. She took over my old
- 19 position.
- 20 | "Q. Let's go to the bottom of this exhibit. The last -- it's
- 21 | last e-mail in the chain.
- 22 | "A. Okay.
- 23 | "Q. What was -- what were you being asked or provided in this
- 24 e-mail?
- 25 A. The directions for the label for pain shot LC.

- 1 "Q. And who drafted those directions?
  - "A. Seth, I believe. Yes, Seth.
- 3 "Q. Did you have any discussions with Fishman regarding what
- 4 information should not appear on Equestology labels?
- 5 | "A. Yes.

- 6 | "Q. Ms. Adams, were you ever told by Fishman not to include any
- 7 | information about the ingredients of Equestology products?
- 8 | "A. Yes.
- 9 "Q. Can you describe what Fishman told you when he gave you
- 10 | that direction?
- 11 "A. Yes. In general, on certain products, he would tell me to
- 12 | not list the ingredients.
- 13 | "Q. Did he tell you why he wanted you not to list ingredients?
- 14 | "A. There was a few reasons. One was they did not need to be
- 15 | listed, and two, in the case of proprietary blend, which we did
- 16 | not always put on the label, that he was entitled to keep his
- 17 | formula secret, so to say, and that you didn't -- legally he
- 18 didn't have to put them there.
- 19 | "Q. If we could turn to what's in evidence as Government
- 20 | Exhibit 1912?"
- 21 MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to pull it up
- 22 and display it for the jurors.
- 23 | "Q. Ms. Adams, what's the e-mail about?
- 24 "A. Asking me to pay a certain bill for chemicals that were
- 25 ordered.

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- 1 "Q. And who gave you that direction?
- 2 | "A. Seth.
- 3 "Q. And how were you directed to pay bills for chemicals being
- 4 ordered?
- 5 | "A. With his credit card.
- 6 "Q. The second e-mail reading Robert H at LGM Pharma, what is
- 7 | LGM Pharma?
- 8 "A. One of the suppliers for the chemicals for API.
- 9 "Q. Do you know where Pharma is based?
- 10 | "A. I do not.
- 11 "Q. If we could look at Government Exhibit 1913 in evidence?"
- 12 MS. MORTAZAVI: I'll ask Ms. Jung to display it for
- 13 | the jurors as well.
- 14 "Q. Ms. Adams, do you recognize this document?
- 15 | "A. Yes, I do.
- 16 "O. What is this?
- 17 "A. It as list of products that I sent to a Josh Marks.
- 18 "Q. The list that appears below, what is that list?
- 19 "A. You want me to read it?
- 20 | "Q. In general, what were you listing?
- 21 "A. The specific quantities that I shipped to this customer.
- 22 | "Q. Do you know this customer?
- 23 | "A. No.
- 24 | "Q. Was Josh Marks ever a client of yours?
- 25 "A. I don't remember.

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- 1 "Q. Have you ever meant Josh Marks or a person named
- 2 | Josh Marks?
- 3 | "A. No, no.
- 4 | "Q. 5x green cap. What is green cap? What is 5x green cap?
- 5 | What is green cap?
- 6 "A. Green cap is an unknown product that is stored and has a
- 7 green cap.
- 8 | "Q. And when you say it's an unknown product, do you know
- 9 | what's in that product?
- 10 | "A. No.
- 11 "Q. Did you ever discuss the contents of that product with
- 12 | Fishman?
- 13 | "A. I may have asked him about it, but I do not remember what
- 14 he said.
- 15 | "Q. How is green cap labeled on the bottle?
- 16 "A. It was not labeled.
- 17 | "Q. Was it not labeled when it was shipped out of Equestology?
- 18 | "A. No.
- 19 | "Q. Below that, where it reads 4x IT plus, what is IT plus?
- 20 | "A. One of the other products that we made.
- 21 | "Q. And from your time at Equestology, do you understand what
- 22 | IT plus's purpose is?
- 23 | "A. No. I don't know what it does.
- 24 | "Q. At your time at Equestology, did you ever receive any
- 25 customer complaints about IT plus?

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- 1 "A. About that one in particular? I don't remember.
- 2 | "Q. Did you ever receive any customer complaints about
- 3 | Equestology products generally?
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 "Q. At your time at Equestology, did you receive any customer
- 6 complaints about products in general?
- 7 | "A. Yes, I did.
- 8 "Q. Ms. Adams did you learn of the nature of the complaints
- 9 | during your time at Equestology?
- 10 | "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. Ms. Adams, did you receive customer complaints about the
- 12 | stability of products at Equestology?
- 13 "A. Yes, I did.
- 14 | "Q. Can you describe what you learned about the stability of
- 15 | Equestology products?
- 16 "A. Certain products would -- if the customer had ordered them
- 17 | multiple times, they know what they should look like. And,
- 18 cccasionally, they would receive something that did not look
- 19 | the same as it did before. For example, it would be one color
- 20 one time and slightly off another, or what we call the matrix.
- 21 If it's freeze-dried or dried inside the vial, sometimes it
- 22 | would look like it was exploded or splattered all over the
- 23 | inside of the a vial. And the customer would question, you
- 24 know, if there's something wrong with it.
- 25 "Q. Are you familiar with a company called 21st Century?

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- 1 "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. What is 21st Century?
- 3 "A. That was one of the labs where we had the majority of or
- 4 products made.
- 5 "Q. Who at 21st Century did you interact with, if anybody?
- 6 "A. Jordan Fishman, Pam Crowley, Michael Sheha I think is the
- 7 | last name. There may have been one other tech.
- 8 "Q. Did you receive any complaints regarding products from
- 9 21st Century in particular?
- 10 "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. Can you describe the nature of those complaints?
- 12 | "A. They were the complaints I had just referred to. The
- 13 | inside of the products did not look the same from one batch to
- 14 | the other. Something was -- you know, one had crystals -- was
- 15 crystallizing in it, different colors, that kind of thing.
- 16 "Q. Did you ever discuss with Fishman whether Fishman had any
- 17 | financial interest in 21st Century?
- 18 | "A. No.
- 19 | "Q. What, if any, equipment did Equestology provide to
- 20 | 21st Century?
- 21 "A. He had paid for a few of the equipment pieces to be used
- 22 because we needed them for our stuff.
- 23 "Q. By our stuff, what do you mean?
- 24 | "A. All the products that we were making.
- 25 | "Q. Did you have discussions about the need for providing

1 | specialized equipment for Equestology products?

- "A. Do you -- can you rephrase that?
- 3 "Q. Yes. You said there were devices provided to 21st Century
- 4 for the purpose of manufacturing Equestology products; is that
- 5 correct?

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- 6 | "A. Sorry. It froze for a second.
  - Seth had purchased several pieces of equipment to be used to make his products and the lab was also allowed to use that equipment.
- 10 | "Q. If we could turn to what's in evidence as 401X, please?"
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'm going to ask Ms. Jung to pull
- 12 | that up for the jury.
- 13 Your Honor, this is in evidence pursuant to
- 14 stipulation. This is an extraction from Seth Fishman's
- 15 cellular phone.
- 16 "Q. Ms. Adams, what's this conversation regarding?
- 17 | "A. It's between Seth and I. And it's clarifying exactly what
- 18 | I need to send. It's asking about blood builder, and I'm
- 19 asking if it's a certain product, and he's correcting me and
- 20 | telling me the proper things it is.
- 21 "Q. Do you know anyone named Brian Malone personally?
- 22 | "A. Personally, no.
- 23 | "Q. Was Brian Malone ever a client of yours?
- 24 "A. Not that I remember, no.
- 25 "Q. What were you referring to when you wrote NPX?

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- "A. That is the name that we call one of the products. That's
  what I knew it as.
- 3 "Q. Was that in fact the blood builder?
- 4 | "A. No.
- 5 | "Q. What was NPX?
- 6 "A. I don't -- I don't know. It says it in the text message,
- 7 | but I don't know what that means.
- 8 "Q. You're referring to the line reading, "NPX is
- 9 | analgesic/sedative"?
- 10 | "A. Yes.
- 11 | "Q. Above that line where Seth writes, "no, it's orange cap,
- 12 | 3CC amber, " what is orange cap?
- 13 | "A. That is one of the unlabeled products that was kept in the
- 14 | fridge or freezer.
- 15 | "Q. When you say unlabeled, was it shipped with no label?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 | "Q. How did you recognize which drug to pick out if it had no
- 18 | label on it?
- 19 | "A. We went by cap color.
- 20 | "Q. And what were some of the common cap colors that you would
- 21 refer to at Equestology?
- 22 | "A. Orange, magenta, amber, not -- not amber because that is
- 23 | glass -- green, red, blue.
- 24 | "Q. And you mentioned glass a minute ago. What is your
- 25 understanding that amber refers to?

- 1 "A. Amber is the color of the glass vial.
- 2 "Q. Were there different color glasses referred to at
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 | "Q. And how would you refer to different color glasses?
- 6 "A. Clear or amber.
- 7 "Q. All right. If we could turn to what's in evidence as
- 8 | 1900, please?"
- 9 "A. Okay.
- 10 MS. MORTAZAVI: For the record, Ms. Jung is displaying
- 11 | this for the jurors, and this is also in evidence by
- 12 stipulation.
- 13 "Q. Ms. Adams, can you describe the conversation that is going
- 14 on in this series of e-mails?
- 15 | "A. So it is between Mary Fox and I. It's about a shipment to
- 16 | the UAE for a customer, and Adel is the gentleman that we'd go
- 17 | back and forth with that puts the orders in.
- 18 | "Q. All right. If we could flip back to 401U in evidence."
- 19 MS. MORTAZAVI: And at this point, I'm going to ask
- 20 Ms. Jung to pull up Government Exhibit 401U to display for the
- 21 jurors.
- 22 For the record this is an extraction from one of
- 23 Seth Fishman's cellular phones and is already in evidence by
- 24 stipulation.
- 25 | "Q. And on the second row where you write "also found a

- fridge/freezer at Home Depot," what were you conveying to Seth in this message?
- "A. That we had been looking for some fridges and freezers for the office to store products in, and so I found one on sale and
- 5 I was letting him know.
- "Q. Yesterday, you testified about the physical work space when you first began working at Equestology. Did there come a time when Equestology expanded?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 "Q. And into what kind of space did Equestology expand?
- 11 "A. We rented out an office space in another building where we
- 12 | had a lot more room, and it was an actual office.
- "Q. And did you, in fact, obtain fridges and freezers for that office space?
- 15 | "A. Yes.
- 16 "Q. Approximately how many?
- 17 "A. We had one large freezer and then another fridge/freezer.
- 18 "Q. When you said large freezer, can you approximate how tall?
- 19 "A. 5 and a half, 6 feet, the full size freezers that you would
- 20 have in your house or your garage.
- 21 "Q. And what would be stored in the Equestology freezers?
- 22 | "A. Any product that required refrigeration or freezing.
- 23 | "Q. Did that include orange cap?
- 24 A. I believe so. It went in either the fridge or the freezer.
- 25 | I can't remember which one.

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- "Q. Were there certain products that required that they be kept
  under freezing temperatures?
- 3 "A. Yes.
- 4 "Q. Do you recall which products were required to be kept
- 5 | frozen?
- 6 | "A. No.
- 7 "Q. Then let's look at 401V, please.
- I'm sorry, before we leave this, the last line on
  401U, Seth, there's a list that appears beginning with "blast
- 11 "A. Mm-hmm.

off"?

- 12 "Q. "Blast off 1286." What was your understanding of what was
- 13 being sent to you in this list?
- 14 "A. That is the list of products that I needed to ship to Adel.
- 15 "Q. The number that appears after blast off 1286, what does the
- 16 | number refer to?
- 17 | "A. The quantity of vials that needed to be sent.
- 18 "Q. Did Equestology ever send drug samples to clients or
- 19 potential clients?
- 20 | "A. Occasionally they would send them, yes.
- 21 "Q. Did the quantities listed here reflect a sample size?
- 22 "A. No.
- "Q. What's your understanding of HP bleeder? What does that
- 24 mean?
- 25 | "A. It's one of our products. I'm not sure what it does.

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"Q. Thank you. And now to 401V, please."

MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to display that for the jurors.

And for the record, this is another extraction from Seth Fishman in evidence pursuant to stipulation.

- "Q. If you could describe what you are talking about in this conversation?
- "A. Between Seth and I? He's angry at me for ordering certain things on the account that's getting him possibly flagged.
- "Q. What kind of account was that?
- "A. The account was Bayer, which is where he would buy certain products that we didn't make or were wrong with chemicals.
  - "Q. And were you placing orders directly through them?
- "A. Yes. I would call the sales rep or have Lisa ask for themto be ordered as well.
- 16 | "Q. And what kind of products were you ordering?
- 17 "A. By the looks of this message, these are some of the orders
- 18 for some of the people that were my friends that had horses.
- 19 So they're most likely, like, pain medication or heartworm
- 20 stuff for some of our friends' dogs. In this instance, I don't
- 21 know exactly what it's referring to.
- 22 | "Q. Would you order prescription medication from Bayer?
- 23 "A. Yes.
- "Q. And whose veterinary license would you use to order the
- 25 prescription medication?

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- 1 "A. Seth's.
- 2 "Q. Did Seth Fishman have any sort of relationship with the
- 3 animals for whom you were ordering medication?
- 4 | "A. No.
- 5 | "Q. And at the very bottom of this chain where you write -- I'm
- 6 sorry. I'm sorry. Where you say it reads O-D-E-R. O-D-E-R
- 7 | "for Adel, was never supposed to have HP bleeder plus." What
- 8 | did you understand that to mean?
- 9 "A. That one of the orders I sent to Adel, he's saying that it
- 10 | had HP bleeder plus in it.
- 11 | "Q. Was there a difference between HP bleeder and HP bleeder
- 12 plus?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. Do you understand what the difference between those two
- 15 products was?
- 16 | "A. One of them had an added ingredient for which I was unaware
- 17 of what it did.
- 18 | "Q. If we could get Government Exhibit 1901, please?"
- 19 MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to display that
- 20 | for the jurors. And this is in evidence through stipulation.
- 21 | "Q. Ms. Adams, do you recognize this e-mail?"
- 22 "A. Yes.
- 23 | "Q. What's happening in this e-mail chain?
- 24 | "A. I'm asking Mary to send out specific products to a
- 25 | customer.

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- 1 "Q. Who is that customer?
- 2 "A. Brandie Holloway.
- 3 "Q. Do you know a person named Brandie Holloway?
- 4 "A. I do not know.
- 5 "Q. And looking at the bottom e-mail on this chain, last in
- 6 | time from Courtney to John Pundyk, who is John Pundyk?
- 7 "A. John was the person on the ground in front of the people 8 getting these orders.
- 9 "Q. What relationship, if any, does John Pundyk have to
- 10 | Equestology?
- 11 "A. He's not directly related. He worked with Geoff Vernon who
- 12 then was my client. So he was down the chain of people.
- 13 "Q. Did John Pundyk ever ask as a sales rep for Equestology?
- 14 | "A. Yes. He wasn't officially a sales rep, but he was under
- me, so to speak. I was a sales rep, and he was my person that
- 16 was out and about.
- 17 | "O. Would you ship drugs at John Pundyk's direction?
- 18 "A. Yes.
- 19 | "Q. To whom?
- 20 | "A. To his clients.
- 21 "Q. In instances when John Pundyk had clients that would
- 22 | receive orders from Equestology how would you learn of the
- 23 request to send a shipment?
- 24 | "A. John would always e-mail me the order, and then I would --
- 25 | if I was okay with the order, if it's something I knew we had,

- I would forward it to Mary, and Mary would ship it to the customer.
- "Q. Ms. Adams, we were discussing complaints about Equestology products from customers previously. Did you discuss those
- 5 complaints with Seth Fishman?
- 6 "A. Yes.

- 7 "Q. What did you tell Fishman about the complaints that you were aware of?
  - One moment.
- "A. I would tell Seth what the customer had told me in regardsto exactly what was wrong.
- 12 "Q. What was Seth's reaction to hearing those complaints?
- "A. He was worried about that. And then he would check back with the lab to figure out what the problem was.
- "Q. Okay. Did there come a time when those complaints stopped coming into Equestology?
- "A. I don't -- I wouldn't say stopped. They were very few and far between. It happened very sporadically.
- "Q. Okay. When that happened, to your knowledge, was any direction given to 21st Century about changing its
- 21 manufacturing process?
- 22 "A. Yes.
- 23 | "Q. And what were the directions to 21st Century?
- 24 "A. I don't know exactly what direction -- what Seth said
- 25 specifically. But they were instructed to figure out what the

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- 1 problem was and fix it.
- 2 "Q. Let me ask you to look at Government Exhibit 1905 in evidence."
  - MS. MORTAZAVI: I'll have Ms. Jung please pull up this e-mail, which is in evidence by stipulation.
  - "Q. What were you conveying in this e-mail?
    - "A. That an order was being sent to Geoff Vernon. Needed to get to the address in that e-mail as soon as possible by a certain date so it could make it onto a horse trailer that was going across the border to Canada.
    - "Q. You refer to Geoff. Is this is the Geoff Vernon you referred to earlier?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- "Q. And why was the shipment being sent to a trailer before
  going to Canada?
  - "A. As far as I understood, Geoff was with those horses or associated with them, and that it needed to -- it had to physically be with him to cross the border.
  - "Q. And did you have an understanding of why Geoff Vernon needed to be physically with those drugs to cross the border?

    "A. Because he is a vet and he can't -- they need to be in his
  - possession or with some prescription or something. I'm not really sure.
- 24 | "Q. Okay. And now looking at 401II in evidence."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to please

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display that for the jury.

For the record, this is another extraction from Seth Fishman's cellular phone admitted by stipulation.

- "Q. Can you describe what you were asking when you wrote,
- 5 | "Geoff wants to know if our EGH is testable"?
- "A. Geoff was requesting if the equine drug hormone was testable to any body like the horseracing commission or anyone, any other test that was done on the horses.
- 9 "Q. Did you have conversations with Seth Fishman about the 10 testability of Equestology products?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- "Q. From your conversations with Fishman, did you have an understanding as to why the testability was an important
- 14 | feature of Equestology products?
- 15 | "A. Yes.
- "Q. What was your understanding on the basis of your
  conversations with Fishman?
- 18 "A. That that was our biggest selling point, that we specialized in making products that were not testable.
- 20 "Q. Did he discuss with you the potential risk if an
- 21 Equestology product were to become testable by a governing
- 22 body?
- 23 | "A. Yes.
- 24 | "Q. And what did he tell you about that risk?
- 25 | "A. The risk was if someone was to get their hands on one of

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- our products, you know, that they could make a test for it, and then that product would no longer be useful to us. We'd have to make something else.
  - "Q. Why would you have to make something else if an Equestology product became testable?
  - "A. Because that was the whole point of that product, was to be not testable.
  - "Q. And reading here from 401II, the sent message from Seth to you, for the record, "listen, Geoff, needs to talk to me.
  - Things are not black and white and itself no. But too much can raise testosterone. Also, he should be using the modified MGF more than EGH."
    - Ms. Adams do you have an understanding of what modified MGF is?
- 15 | "A. No. I'm not familiar with what that acronym is.
- 16 "Q. Can we go to Government Exhibit 1902 in evidence, please?"
  - MS. MORTAZAVI: I'll ask Ms. Jung to please display that for the jurors.
- 19 "Q. Ms. Adams, what's happening in this e-mail chain?
- 20 | "A. This is an e-mail chain between Seth and Adel -- Adel,
- 21 excuse me, in the UAE with Mary and I copied on it about
- 22 ordering more product and the timeline that it's on.
- "Q. From your review of this e-mail, can you identify the
- 24 product that was to be shipped?
- 25 | "A. Yes. A thousand vials of equine growth hormone.

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- 1 "Q. Is that EGH?
- 2 "A. Yes.
- 3 | "Q. Is a thousand vials a sample size of EGH?
- 4 "A. No.
- 5 "Q. Below that where it reads "please, if you can ship to DEH
- 6 | at the earliest possible on IP services, " do you have you an
- 7 understanding of what DEH stands for?
- 8 "A. Yes. Dubai Equine Hospital.
- 9 "Q. If we can go to 401BB as in boy, boy?"
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And for the record, Ms. Jung is
- 11 displaying that for the jurors.
- Once again, an extraction from Seth Fishman's cellular
- 13 phone already in evidence by stipulation.
- 14 | "Q. What did you understand this message to convey to?
- 15 "A. That Adel had decided to go with 500 vials of EGH. And he
- 16 wants everything to be sent as one package.
- 17 "Q. Is this the same Adel that we've discussed previously?
- 18 "A. Yes, it is.
- 19 "Q. If we could look at 401CC, please, the next one?"
- 20 MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll have Ms. Jung display that
- 21 | for the jurors as well; again another extraction from Seth
- 22 | Fishman's cellular phone.
- 23 | "Q. Okay. Can you describe what's happening in this
- 24 | conversation?
- 25 | "A. Between Seth and I, he's asking me -- or I'm asking that I

- cannot find the 200 vials of PSDS and wondering if maybe Lisa can send some back to us. And he is upset that I didn't take care of this a few weeks prior to this.
- 4 | "Q. Who is the Lisa that you're referring to?
- 5 "A. Lisa Ranger.
- 6 "Q. What have you sent to Lisa?
- 7 | "A. The product, PSDS.
- 8 "Q. What was PSDS?
- 9 | "A. A pain shot double strength.
- "Q. What's your understanding of the purpose of pain shot
  double strength?
- 12 | "A. A double strength product that blocks pain.
- "Q. What was your understanding of what the "big drama" would
  be as a result of not having set aside the vials that had been
  sent to Lisa?
  - "A. That whoever we were sending it to is going to be very upset that we don't have what Seth told him that we had.
- 18 "Q. Let's go now please to what's in evidence as 1903."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to please display that. Again, another record in evidence by stipulation.
- 22 | "Q. What were you conveying in 1903?
- "A. Make sure I'm on the right one. Sorry. 03. I'm conveying to Mary at the office to send products to Lisa that she had
- 25 requested.

- "Q. When you say "she had requested," who had requested the 1 2 products?
- 3 "A. Lisa Ranger had asked me.
- 4 "Q. In your role at Equestology, would you decide on your own
- 5 initiative what products Lisa should receive?
- "A. No. 6

- 7 "Q. How did you learn what products to send to Lisa?
- "A. Lisa would either request them or Seth would tell me to 8 9 send them to her.
- 10 "Q. Looking on this e-mail on the line reading "HP bleeder 11 plus," is that the same product we discussed a moment ago with 12 respect to shipments to Adel?
- 13 "A. I don't -- no. We were talking about EGH before.
- 14 "Q. Do you recall my question earlier about the difference
- 15 between HB bleeder and HB bleeder plus?
- "A. Oh, yes. A few shipments ago with the photos in the 16 17 exhibit. Yes. That was HB bleeder plus.
- "Q. On this line where it says "send version with horse head 18 19 logo not SPC," what's your understanding of what -- what did 20 you intend to convey in writing that?
- "A. So some of the products are -- have different brands that are on them depending on where they're being sold. So some of 23 the HB bleeder plus has the Equestology logo on it, some of 24 them would have SPC logos, and some of them would have other --
- 25 we have multiple other logos or brands. So I'm specifying

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- 1 | exactly which one needs to be sent.
- 2 | "Q. Ms. Adams, are you aware of any reason that one brand would
- 3 be used to label a vial as opposed to a different brand?
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 "Q. Did you become aware of that reason from your work at
- 6 | Equestology?
- 7 "A. Yes.
- 8 "Q. Did you discuss the reasons for differentiation with
- 9 | Seth Fishman?
- 10 "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. Did you discuss the reasons for that differentiation with
- 12 | Lisa Ranger?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. Okay. What was the reason for the differentiation?
- 15 | "A. Certain regions or areas or clients would request their own
- 16 | brand. So do you want me to give you an example?
- 17 "Q. Certainly.
- 18 | "A. Adel in the UAE, he requested that he have his own logo and
- 19 | that logo not be used on any other products. So all of his
- 20 | things would have specific logos, and that would not be then
- 21 | sold to Lisa Ranger or Geoff Vernon. It was only his.
- 22 "Q. Okay. What does SPC stand for?
- 23 | "A. Specialized performance compound.
- 24 | "Q. Thank you. Let's look at 401Z also."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to please

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- display that exhibit for the jurors; once again an extraction
  from Seth Fishman's cellular phone already in evidence.
- 3 | "Q. Ms. Adams, what is this text chain about?
- 4 "A. It's between Seth and I about the product called GNHR and
- 5 | what the quantity is and the price for a customer named
- 6 | Lisette.
- 7 "Q. What is GNRH?
- 8 | "A. I do not know.
- 9 "Q. Did you ever talk to Seth Fishman about GNRH?
- 10 "A. Yes, briefly.
- 11 "Q. And what do you recall him telling you about GNRH?
- 12 "A. I don't recall the details.
- 13 "O. Who is Lisette?
- 14 "A. Lisette is one of his customers in South Florida.
- 15 "Q. To your knowledge, did Lisette have clients to whom she was
- 16 reselling Equestology products?
- 17 "A. Yes.
- 18 "Q. Where were those clients based?
- 19 "A. South America.
- 20 | "Q. Do you know in this chain where it reads "MOQ of 25" and
- 21 | later "minimum order quantity," what was a minimum order
- 22 | quantity?
- 23 | "A. Seth was saying that Lisette set had to order a minimum
- 24 order of 25 if she wanted to get that product.
- 25 | "Q. Who decided what minimum order quantifies would be ordered

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- 1 | by Equestology?
- 2 "A. Seth did.
- 3 | "Q. And can we go 401EE, please?"
- 4 "A. Okay.

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- MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to please display that; once again, an extraction from Seth Fishman's phone already in evidence.
- "Q. Can you tell us what's happening in this text chain?
- 9 "A. Between Seth and I, and letting him know that Lisette

  10 wanted 50 of the EGH, but I already had a pack to ship to Adel,

  11 so he's taking -- to take the 50 vials from Adel's shipment,

  12 and that he'll deal with Adel in telling him that we don't have
- 13 | those 50 anymore.
- 14 "Q. Okay. Seth writes to you "got to tell Adel the label was
- 15 | off and I credit him." Was there, in fact, an issue with the
- 16 | label for the shipment intended for Adel?
- 17 | "A. No.
- 18 "Q. What was your understanding of why Seth would tell you
- 19 | that?
- 20 | "A. It was just a reason to say something was wrong with the
- 21 label. And so we don't have as many as we thought we did. An
- 22 excuse.
- 23 "Q. Okay. And the EGH that was packed for Adel, was that the
- 24 same product and the same vials that were also intended to go
- 25 | to Lisette?

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1 | "A. Yes.

- 2 | "Q. Can you remind -- can you say again where Lisette was
- 3 based?
- 4 "A. South America. She was out of Miami, but her products were
- 5 being forwarded or shipped to South America.
- 6 "Q. Where were they being shipped initially from?
- 7 Ms. Adams, did Seth talk to you about particular horse
- 8 | trainers to whom Equestology products were being sold?
- 9 | "A. No, he did not.
- 10 "Q. Did he talk about the use of Equestology products by
- 11 | racehorse trainers?
- 12 | "A. Yes. In very general terms.
- 13 | "Q. And understanding that they're in general terms, what do
- 14 | you recall Seth Fishman telling you about the use of
- 15 | Equestology products by racehorse trainers?
- 16 | "A. He would describe to me what they were, why they were using
- 17 | them, what they did in general, very basic descriptions of
- 18 | where they were going, how they were being used, and why.
- 19 "Q. And when you say why they were being used, what did he
- 20 describe to you about why they were being used?
- 21 "A. They were being used because they were -- had requested
- 22 untestable products.
- 23 | "Q. Untestable products for what purpose?
- 24 | "A. To enhance performance.
- 25 | "Q. Did there come a time that you moved out of South Florida

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- 1 | while you were still working for Equestology?
- 2 "A. Yes.
- 3 | "Q. Where did you go?
- 4 | "A. Idaho.
- 5 "Q. Did your role at Equestology change in any way when you
- 6 moved to Idaho?
- 7 | "A. Yes, it did?
- 8 "Q. How did it change?
- 9 "A. I was no longer the office manager. I was doing more
- 10 sales. I did, however, help still designing some labels and
- 11 general help in the office if Mary needed it.
- 12 | "Q. Okay. And in connection with changing your role to sales,
- 13 did there come a time that you set up a payment processing
- 14 | account?
- 15 | "A. Yes.
- 16 | "Q. And why did you set up the payment processing account?
- 17 "A. Because I had to take payment for the sales.
- 18 "Q. And was that payment -- the money for those sales, did that
- 19 | all go to you?
- 20 | "A. Yes, I would collect all the money.
- 21 | "Q. Okay. Would you get to keep all that money as your own
- 22 | revenue?
- 23 | "A. No.
- 24 | "Q. What would you do with a portion of that money?
- 25 | "A. I would keep commissions off of it, and the rest I would

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- 1 pay to Seth at the end of each month.
- 2 | "Q. What was your commission?
- 3 "A. I believe it was 8 to 10 percent. It varied between
- 4 products, so in that range.
- 5 | "Q. And during the course of time that you worked at
- 6 Equestology, approximately how much did you make per year?
- 7 "A. Around 50,000.
- 8 "Q. When you began sales, did you have conversations with Seth
- 9 about the number of your clients and the number of your sales?
- 10 "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. And what did Seth tell you, if anything, about those
- 12 | numbers?
- 13 | "A. That they could be significantly greater if I was to follow
- 14 Lisa Ranger's footsteps.
- 15 | "Q. And what was your reaction to that?
- 16 | "A. I didn't really -- I wasn't really interested in sales. I
- 17 don't like pushing things on people, and I don't like being out
- 18 and about in front of them. So I was kind of hesitant. It
- 19 was -- I told him it was easy for me to take care of
- 20 Geoff Vernon and, under him, John, and all the people they
- 21 knew, but I was note interested in going and finding new
- 22 | clients.
- 23 | "Q. Did there come a time that you returned to Florida from
- 24 Idaho?
- 25 | "A. Yes.

- 1 "Q. Let me direct you to the year 2016.
- 2 Were you -- had you returned to Florida by 2016?
- 3 A. Yes. At the end to mid of 2016.
  - MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm going to ask that that line just be read again for the record so it's clear.
- 6 "A. Yes. At the mid to end of 2016.
- 7 "Q. And did you continue making sales for Equestology when you returned?
- 9 | "A. Yes.

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- 10 "Q. Did your role change again when you returned to Florida?
- 11 | "A. Kind of. I would come physically into the office every
- 12 once in a while to assist Mary. But for the most part, it was
- 13 still just sales.
- 14 "Q. Did Equestology engage in any advertising that you're aware
- 15 of?
- 16 | "A. Not that I'm aware of, no.
- 17 | "Q. Did Equestology maintain a website so far as you're aware?
- 18 "A. We had created one. But I was not aware of if it launched
- 19 | to the public.
- 20 | "Q. Did you participate in any way in planning the website?
- 21 | "A. Yes.
- 22 | "Q. Can you describe your role in planning the website?
- 23 | "A. I was helping design the website, not on the back end, but
- 24 | helping the web designer; what we wanted displayed, the content
- 25 we wanted on it, the look that we were trying to achieve. Just

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- 1 basic artistic direction.
- 2 | "Q. Did you discuss the content and the appearance of the
- 3 | website with Fishman?
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 "Q. Was the website intended to be publicly accessible?
- 6 | "A. No.
- 7 "Q. Can you describe to whom the website was intended to be
- 8 | accessible?
- 9 | "A. Specific people would be given a user name and password to
- 10 | log in, and only those people would then be able to access what
- 11 | the website had. There would be a general landing page for the
- 12 | public, but they would not be able to get to anything.
- 13 | "Q. Would you need any particular information to get past the
- 14 | landing page?
- 15 | "A. Yes.
- 16 "O. What?
- 17 | "A. Yes. You would have to have a password.
- 18 "Q. Did there ever come a point where passwords were provided
- 19 | to anybody for the website?
- 20 | "A. Not that I was aware.
- 21 "Q. Did there come a time when you stopped working for
- 22 | Equestology?
- 23 | "A. Yes.
- 24 "Q. Approximately when did you stop?
- 25 | "A. Early 2017 I believe. I don't remember exactly.

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- 1 | "Q. Why did you stop working at Equestology?
- 2 "A. I was just over it, to be honest. I didn't want to do it
- 3 anymore, and -- yeah.
- 4 "Q. What, if anything, did Fishman ask you about talking to
- 5 others about your work at Equestology when you left?
- 6 | "A. He asked me not to discuss the business that we conducted
- 7 | with anyone.
- 8 "Q. What was your response?
- 9 "A. I said okay.
- 10 | "Q. Did there come a time when you were approached by agents of
- 11 | the Food and Drug Administration?
- 12 | "A. Yes.
- 13 "Q. Was that before or after you had stopped working at
- 14 | Equestology?
- 15 | "A. After.
- 16 "Q. Where did that approach happen?
- 17 "A. At Nanny's Donut Shop.
- 18 | "Q. Why were you there?
- 19 | "A. I was working there.
- 20 | "Q. What, if anything, were you asked by the FDA at that time?
- 21 | "A. I do not remember exactly what they asked me.
- 22 | "Q. Did you tell Seth Fishman about that incident?
- 23 | "A. Not that I recall. No.
- 24 | "Q. And did the FDA come back and ask you anything further
- 25 after they approached you?

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- 1 "A. No, they did not.
- 2 "Q. Did there later come a time that you reached out to law
- 3 enforcement about your time at Equestology?
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 | "Q. Why did you do that?
- 6 | "A. I was made aware from a friend about all the arrests, and I
- 7 read the article that was published about it and realized that
- 8 | they didn't have the whole story, and I felt obligated to give
- 9 them more details.
- 10 "Q. Ms. Adams, do you have a copy of Government Exhibit 11000
- 11 | in front of you?
- 12 | "A. Yes."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: For the record, your Honor, this item
- 14 | is not evidence before this jury, and so we will not be
- 15 | displaying it.
- 16 "Q. Do you recognize that document?
- 17 | "A. Yes, I do.
- 18 "Q. What is it?
- 19 "A. It is my nonprosecution agreement.
- 20 | "Q. Under the terms of this agreement, what are you required to
- 21 do.
- 22 | "A. Tell the truth about any questions asked.
- 23 | "Q. Are you required to testify here today?
- 24 | "A. Yes.
- 25 | "Q. If you live up to your obligations under that agreement,

- 1 has the government promised you anything in return?
- 2 | "A. No. Well, nonprosecution.
- 3 "Q. And nonprosecution from what?
- 4 | "A. From anything I did while working for Seth.
- 5 | "Q. If you lie on the stand today, do you get that protection?
- 6 "A. No, I do not.
- 7 "Q. Can you please look at what's in evidence as Government
- 8 Exhibit 401AA?"
- 9 MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'll ask Ms. Jung to display that
  10 exhibit for the jury as it is in evidence.
- 11 | "A. Okay.
- 12 "Q. Ms. Adams can you describe what this conversation was
- 13 about?
- 14 "A. This was about me doing an interview for my replacement in
- 15 the beginning when I was thinking about leaving.
- 16 "Q. And scrolling to the bottom of this conversation where you
- 17 | write "seems to me he was very calm. Didn't seem like the kind
- 18 | to go talking about details to anyone." What were you
- 19 conveying to Seth in that?
- 20 | "A. That he was not going to go out with friends or anyone that
- 21 | was not related to the business and talk about what he did,
- 22 | what we did in Equestology.
- 23 | "Q. From your conversations with Fishman, was that kind of
- 24 discretion an important requirement for having your job?
- 25 | "A. Yes."

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- MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm going to skip some portions of
  this, your Honor, and go to the questions in the middle of page
  167 in this exhibit.
  - "Q. Ms. Adams, can you please read the last thing you wrote to Seth Fishman?
    - A. I told him the job requires discretion and possible ND"A.
    - "Q. What was the possible NDA you were referring to?
- 8 "A. That he may need to sign a nondisclosure agreement.
- 9 "Q. Thank you, Ms. Adams."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor. No further questions.
- 12 THE COURT: We'll turn to what is the cross by
- 13 Mr. Fasulo.
- MR. FASULO: If we may begin; it's on page 233.
- 15 BY MR. FASULO:
- 16 "Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Adams.
- 17 | "A. Hello.
- 18 "Q. I have a few questions for you. I represent Ms. Giannelli,
- 19 | Lisa Ranger, and I have a few questions for you.
- 20 | "A. Okav.
- 21 "Q. First of all, you worked for Equestology for approximately
- 22 | five years; is that fair to say?
- 23 | "A. Yes.
- 24 | "Q. And you talked about during both your examinations up to
- 25 | this point that you started in a more administrative role and

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- went into sales a little bit, then you left the company, correct?
- 3 | "A. Correct.
- 4 "Q. And when you went into sales role, and you said that you
- 5 had a gentleman, John, I think P-U-R-D-Y-K, work under you; is
- 6 | that correct?
- 7 | "A. His name is John Pundyk, yes.
- 8 | "Q. And he was working with you, correct?
- 9 "A. You could say that, yes.
- 10 | "Q. And he would go out to the barns or to the trainers, et
- 11 cetera, and work the field, and you didn't like that part of
- 12 | the job; is that what you're saying?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. And when he went out to the field, he would have a list of
- 15 products that were products of Equestology, correct?
- 16 | "A. No. I didn't provide him with a list.
- 17 | "Q. Did you have a list of the products that Equestology had in
- 18 stock at the time that you were in the sales end of the
- 19 | business?
- 20 | "A. No, I did not have the list.
- 21 "Q. But did you keep an inventory of all the products that
- 22 | existed in Equestology at that time, correct?
- 23 "A. Yes.
- 24 | "Q. So you were aware of what the inventory was and what the
- 25 products were; is that fair to say?

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- 1 "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. I want to go through some of the Government Exhibits with
- 3 | you. Government Exhibit 401T in your file, please. If could
- 4 you let me know when you have the exhibit.
- 5 "A. Okay.
- 6 "Q. On direct examination, you had a chance to talk about this
- 7 | exhibit; do you remember that?
- 8 | "A. Yes.
- 9 | "Q. In this exhibit, it indicates that Lisa, which you
- 10 | identified as Lisa Ranger, had said that she does not have the
- 11 | vet's license, correct?
- 12 | "A. Correct."
- MR. FASULO: Can I have this on the screen, Judge?
- 14 THE COURT: Are you able to help, Ms. Jung?
- 15 MS. JUNG: Yes. Give us one minute.
- MR. FASULO: I'm going to go back to Line 19. Answer?
- 17 | "A. Correct.
- 18 "Q. And by that, you meant she didn't have a copy of
- 19 Dr. Fishman's license, correct?
- 20 | "A. Yes.
- 21 | "Q. And she was asking for a copy of that license, correct?
- 22 | "A. I don't believe that's what she was asking.
- 23 | "Q. So she wasn't asking for a copy of the license?
- 24 | "A. No. This was me writing the message -- this message.
- 25 | "Q. Okay. So she was just indicating to you that she did not

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- 1 have a copy on file in her place in Delaware, correct?
- 2 | "A. Yes."
- 3 MR. FASULO: You can take it down.
- 4 "Q. Now, you ordered many products from different vendors; is that fair to say?
- 6 "A. Yes.
- "Q. And those vendors included vendors of raw materials as well
  as vendors with materials that have already been composed,
- 9 correct?
- 10 "A. Correct.
- 11 "Q. And you did that only because you had the authority of
- 12 Dr. Fishman to do such orders; isn't that correct?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. And it was under his license that allowed you as an
- administrator to make those orders; is that fair to say?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 "Q. And had you not been working for Dr. Fishman, these vendors
- would not have just sold you these products that were
- 19 drug-related products that needed a veterinarian, correct?
- 20 "A. Correct.
- 21 "Q. And as far as you know, that's how Lisa would get her
- 22 products as well, if you know?
- 23 | "A. Some of them, yes.
- 24 | "Q. Some of them would be sent from you in Florida, up to
- 25 Delaware, and others would be sent directly from vendors to

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1 Delaware; is that fair to say? "A. Yes. 2 3 "Q. Additionally, some products would go directly to an 4 individual client or customer; is that fair to say? "A. Yes. 5 6 "Q. Now, during the time that you worked for the doctor, both 7 in an administrative capacity and in your sales role, you had a number of interactions with the doctor in terms of text 8 9 messages and e-mails on a daily basis; is that fair to say? "A. Yes. 10 11 "Q. Would it be fair to say that Dr. Fishman was very much 12 involved in the running of his practice? "A. Yes. 13 14 "Q. He was involved in the time that you got to work, he was 15 involved in when you left, he was involved in whether you should take a vacation day, he was involved in the daily 16 responsibilities that he expected you to do, correct? 17 18 "A. Yes. Outside of maybe the vacation day part. 19 "Q. Well, you did text him about taking a day off and him

arquing with you about not taking a day off and that you had just been off for a couple of weeks, and you explained to him that you just -- that you needed the time off for whatever reason, right? You had those kinds of text messages back and forth; do you remember that?

"A. I don't remember that.

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- "Q. In any event, he was very involved, and he was involved in all parts of the practice; is that fair to say?
- 3 "A. Yes.
- 4 "Q. And before you sent anything to Ms. Ranger in Delaware,
- 5 before you sent anything out, would you check with the doctor,
- 6 especially on products that he made himself in Florida; is that
- 7 | fair to say?
- 8 | "A. Yes.
- 9 "Q. And in Florida, that was the location that not only the
- 10 products were sent from, that's where the paste or the products
- or the compounds were actually manufactured; is that fair to
- 12 | say?
- 13 | "A. The pastes were made there, yes.
- 14 "Q. And you actually participated in helping to put together
- 15 | the pastes; is that fair to say?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 | "Q. And that happened in Florida, and that did not happen in
- 18 Delaware, is that correct, to your knowledge during the time
- 19 | that you worked there?
- 20 "A. Correct.
- 21 "Q. And, in fact, when you talked about labels, was also that
- 22 | you, under the direction of Dr. Fishman, started to design
- 23 | labels for his products; is that fair to say?
- 24 "A. Yes.
- 25 | "Q. And it was with the direction of Dr. Fishman that you were

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- able to figure out what had to go on these labels, right?

  "A. Yes.
- 3 "Q. You didn't all the sudden decide this should be a label 4 that says X if Dr. Fishman didn't agree with that, correct?
- 5 "A. Could you rephrase that?
- "Q. You didn't decide what the ingredients were on an individual product and decide to put them on the labels without talking to Dr. Fishman and ascertaining those were the
- 9 ingredients in the product, correct?
- 10 | "A. Correct.
- 11 "Q. That was him, that was not you, who made those decisions,
- 12 | correct?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 "Q. And you're involved in the artistic and creative
- presentation of those products; would that be fair to say?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 "Q. And the ultimate person who was involved in labeling the
- 18 products, putting the ingredients on the labels of those
- 19 products, was Dr. Fishman?
- 20 | "A. Maybe rephrase that.
- 21 "Q. Sure. Let me ask you: Who had input into putting the
- 22 | ingredients lists on the product?
- 23 "A. Dr. Fishman.
- 24 | "Q. And other than Dr. Fishman, did you not have input on that,
- 25 | correct?

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- 1 "A. Correct.
- 2 "Q. Nor did anyone else, to your knowledge?
- 3 | "A. To my knowledge, no.
- 4 | "Q. And in terms of the names of the products, although
- 5 Dr. Fishman may ask you about those names, which he did,
- 6 correct?
- 7 | "A. Yes.
- 8 "Q. It was up to him to decide how to name those products, not
- 9 you nor anyone else at Equestology; is that correct?
- 10 | "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. And that was your experience in working with Dr. Fishman
- 12 during your five years, correct?
- 13 | "A. With regards to labeling, yes.
- 14 "Q. With regards to labeling and with regards to the --
- 15 | actually making the pastes, correct?
- 16 | "A. Can you rephrase that?
- 17 | "Q. You're directed what to do, what ingredients went into what
- 18 paste, correct?
- 19 "A. Correct.
- 20 | "Q. In fact, as was stated earlier, you don't have any advanced
- 21 degrees in pharmacology or in biology that would give you an
- 22 | understanding of what those ingredients were, correct?
- 23 A. Correct.
- 24 | "Q. And you took the ingredients that Dr. Fishman told you to
- 25 | take and you mixed them in a way that he told you to mix them,

- 1 and you made the compounds, correct?
- 2 | "A. Yes."
- 3 | "Q. And then you put labels --
- 4 MS. MORTAZAVI: I'm sorry. Let me withdraw.
- 7 "Q. And then you put them into jars and you would either label them or not label them, correct, depending on what the product
- 8 "A. They were put into tubes not jars, but, yeah.
- 9 "Q. These were glass tubes?
- 10 | "A. No.

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- 11 "Q. What kind of tubes were they?
- 12 "A. The tubes were plastic tubes that were specifically made
- 13 for paste.
- 14 "Q. And each tube had a different color cap you were talking
- 15 | about before; is that right?
- 16 | "A. No.
- 17 "Q. How would that work? How would they be capped, and how
- would they be identified before they would be stored?
- 19 "A. In reference to the paste that was made in Florida, those
- 20 were all put into a certain sized tube that was white with a
- 21 | white cap. And then it was labeled as soon as they were all
- 22 | filled and packaged, and then they would be stored.
- 23 | "Q. Now, after they were labeled, some of them required storage
- 24 | and refrigeration and some didn't require refrigeration; is
- 25 | that fair to say?

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- 1 "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. And you were made aware of which ones had to go where by
- 3 Dr. Fishman?
- 4 "A. Yes.
- 5 | "Q. Now, let me bring your attention to the next exhibit I'd
- 6 | like to talk about, which is 401W. If you can get into your
- 7 book and open that up, and we can show that on the screen.
- 8 "A. Okay.
- 9 "Q. This was a text message or e-mail?
- 10 | "A. A text.
- 11 "Q. And it was a text message from you to Dr. Fishman or from
- 12 | Dr. Fishman to you?
- 13 | "A. From me to Dr. Fishman.
- 14 "Q. And in this text message, it does say that the doc needs to
- 15 | send one of his blood builders to Paul Minastrelli. Please
- 16 | remind him. And you said you cut and pasted that message; is
- 17 | that correct?
- 18 A. Yes. The "from Lisa" part I wrote, and the rest is a copy
- 19 and paste.
- 20 | "Q. And so from this message, was it your understanding that
- 21 | the doctor already knew that Lisa needed these blood builders?
- 22 "A. Yes.
- 23 | "Q. And was it your understanding that the doctor already knew
- 24 | that Lisa was going to distribute these blood builders to a
- 25 | Paul Minastrelli?

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- 1 | "A. Yes.
- 2 "Q. I would like to move you now to Government Exhibit number 401FF.
- 4 Now, you worked at Equestology five years, right?
- 5 "A. A little bit more than that, yes.
- 6 "Q. And as you worked there, you were comfortable with your job
- 7 | in terms of understanding what you were to do, and you felt
- 8 | like what you were doing was right; is that fair to say?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 | "Q. Did you ever believe you were breaking the law in the
- 11 | things you were doing in labeling products or selling Fishman
- 12 products?
- 13 | "A. I did not believe that I was breaking the law.
- 14 "Q. Did you understand that Dr. -- did you understand that
- 15 | Dr. Fishman has a veterinarian license in more than one state?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 | "Q. And were you aware what states he actually had his license
- 18 | in?
- 19 "A. At the time, yes.
- 20 | "Q. And at this time, you don't remember?
- 21 "A. Not all of them, no.
- 22 | "Q. But you were aware that he was licensed in multiple states;
- 23 | is that fair to say?
- 24 | "A. Yes, it is.
- 25 | "Q. Did it also seem to you -- was it your understanding that

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- he had a working knowledge of the products that he was producing?
- 3 "A. Yes.
- 4 "Q. And a working knowledge of the goals and gains of those products?
- 6 "A. Yes.
- 7 "Q. And would it be your understanding that he was pretty confident in the products he was developing and their
- 9 | likelihood of success? Was that your understanding?
- 10 "A. Yes.
- "Q. And that was one of the reasons why you remained and worked with him for five years, right?
- 13 "A. I'm not sure how to answer that.
- 14 "Q. Well, you're around horses during the time, not only with
- Dr. Fishman and the practice, but you had friends that played
- 16 polo, and you were a pretty much a horse lover, right? You
- 17 | liked horses?
- 18 "A. Yes.
- 19 "Q. And you wouldn't be working somewhere where you thought
- 20 there was a danger presented to the wellbeing of horses; were
- 21 | you?
- 22 A. Correct.
- 23 | "Q. So during the time that you worked for Dr. Fishman, if you
- 24 could look at this exhibit, did you do -- you remember reading
- 25 | this exhibit earlier. Could you quickly glance over it?

- In the first line, it says John is with Geoff in Canada. Was that the John that was working with you?
- 3 "A. Yes.
- 4 "Q. And this happened in 2016, correct?
- 5 | "A. Correct.
- "Q. And it was your understanding that John indicated that there was an order, but the order was too big to cross the
- 8 | border. Is that what your understanding here was?
- 9  $\parallel$  "A. I'm not sure.
- 10 "Q. What was your understanding of this e-mail?
- 11 "A. That it was -- well, this text -- that it was either too
- 12 | big or it didn't get there in time. I'm not -- besides that,
- 13 | it's a guess.
- 14 "Q. So it wasn't your understanding that anything was wrong
- 15 | that was happening in terms of transferring of this item into
- 16 Canada; is that your understanding?
- 17 "A. Can you repeat that? Sorry.
- 18 "Q. Did you believe there was anything illegal or anything
- 19 wrong with the way that the shipment was being transferred into
- 20 Canada based on this e-mail?
- 21 "A. According to this text, no.
- 22 | "Q. Okay. I would like to go to exhibit number 402H."
- MR. FASULO: Ms. Jung, if you may?
- 24 | "Q. If we could have that exhibit up, and bring us to the
- 25 green section of that exhibit, I think it is?

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- 1 "A. What was the exhibit number?
- 2 | "Q. 402H.
- 3 | "A. Okay."
- 4 MR. FASULO: And could I ask Ms. Jung to please
- 5 | highlight the green section?
- 6 Thank you.
- 7 "Q. You see in number 334 on the left, if you look all the way
- 8 over you will see the text of that message?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 | "Q. Now, this was a message from Dr. Fishman to you, correct?
- 11 "A. Yes.
- 12 | "Q. And Lisa Ranger, Lisa Giannelli, was not on this message,
- 13 | correct?
- 14 "A. No.
- 15 "Q. And this was where Dr. Fishman says to you that Lisa made
- 16 over \$250,000 last year, correct?
- 17 | "A. Correct.
- 18 | "Q. Now, you don't know if that was true or not true, correct?
- 19 "A. Correct.
- 20 | "Q. Because you didn't have any idea of a Lisa -- of what Lisa
- 21 was making or not making; isn't that fair to say?
- 22 "A. Yes.
- 23 | "Q. And, in fact, the Delaware books were kept separate from
- 24 | the Florida books; would that be fair to say?
- 25 "A. I don't know.

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- "Q. You weren't keeping track of the Delaware income or the Delaware expenses, correct?
- 3 "A. No. Sorry. Correct. No. I don't know.
- 4 "Q. During the time you were working, were you keeping track of
- 5 any of the income or expenses on the Delaware sales from
- 6 | Lisa Ranger?
- 7 | "A. No.
- 8 "Q. And you were talking about a system that you used. You did
- 9 | not use the Avimark system; is that correct?
- 10 | "A. I don't believe so, no.
- 11 "Q. So you weren't familiar with the system -- with that
- 12 system, correct?
- 13 | "A. No.
- 14 "Q. I now move to Government Exhibit 1900, Government Exhibit
- 15 | 1900, GX1900. And I would like to draw your attention to the
- 16 photographs that are listed as attachments on the first page
- 17 | and on the second page. I don't know if we could get those a
- 18 | little bigger.
- 19 | "A. Okay.
- 20 | "Q. The labels put on these products in Government
- 21 Exhibit 1900, were these labels that you designed for the
- 22 doctor?
- 23 | "A. Yes, they are.
- 24 | "Q. And when you say you designed them, you put on the product
- 25 | name, correct?

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- 1 | "A. Yes.
- 2 | "Q. And in these, do you know if these labels had the
- 3 | ingredients on them?
- 4 | "A. I don't recall.
- 5 "Q. And when you were -- when it was decided to put the
- 6 | ingredients on, were there any conversations that took place
- 7 between you and Dr. Fishman regarding putting on the
- 8 | ingredients or not putting on the ingredients on these
- 9 products?
- 10 | "A. Yes. Certain products, yes, we talk about.
- 11 "Q. And was it your understanding that some products he wanted
- 12 | the ingredients on and some he didn't want the ingredients on?
- 13 | "A. Yes.
- 14 | "Q. And sometimes that would be based on his own -- solely on
- 15 his own opinion and sometimes it was based on what the
- 16 customers requested, correct?
- 17 | "A. I'm not sure.
- 18 "Q. Okay. And, in fact, you had no training in whether or not
- 19 these products needed to have ingredients on them or not on
- 20 | them, correct?
- 21 "A. Correct.
- 22 | "Q. And you didn't even know whether or not there was a
- 23 | requirement to put the ingredients on these products, correct?
- 24 | "A. Correct.
- 25 | "Q. Now, go to exhibit -- now go to Government Exhibit 1901.

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If you look at the beginning of this exhibit, it says

Wednesday, September 21, 2016, at about 156. You sent a

message to Mary Fox; is that right?

"A. Yes.

- 5 "Q. And you said you needed an order to go out, correct?
- 6 "A. Yes.
- 7 "Q. In 2016, you were a part of the sales -- sales helper or sales administrator for Dr. Fishman, correct?
- 9 | "A. Yes.
- 10 "Q. And you were selling these products in this e-mail,
- 11 | correct?
- 12 | "A. Can you rephrase that?
- "Q. You said, Mary, I have an order that needs to go out. When you say you have an order, what did you understand that to be?
- 15 | "A. That I received an order from John to send out.
- 16 | "Q. And when you say John, who was John?
- "A. John Pundyk. He was the person on the ground, the actualsalesperson in front of the customers.
- 19 | "Q. Working with you, correct?
- 20 "A. Correct.
- 21 | "Q. And your customers, correct?
- 22 | "A. Technically, yes.
- 23 | "Q. And there's a list of products here. 10 XTB7, correct?
- 24 | "A. Yes.
- 25 | "Q. What was that?

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- "A. I'm not sure exactly what it does. Dineson-something. I can't remember the full name.
- 3 "Q. The second one is 3X Zolequine, 10 packs. Were you aware of what was in that product or what it was?
- 5 "A. At the time, yes. Now, I don't remember.
- 6 | "Q. Okay. 42 waters, is that water?
- 7 "A. Yes.
- 8 "Q. Okay. And these are products that the customer wanted --
- 9 put the order in, and you processed that order. Correct?
- 10 "A. Yes.
- 11 "Q. And it went to Brandie Holloway, correct?
- 12 | "A. Correct.
- 13 "Q. And that was in Kansas?
- 14 "A. Yep.
- 15 "Q. Is that somebody that you knew?
- 16 | "A. No.
- 17 "Q. Is it somebody who just decided to order through your
- 18 company and put these -- and wanted these items, correct?
- 19 "A. Yes.
- 20 | "Q. And you fulfilled the order?
- 21 | "A. Yes.
- 22 | "Q. Okay. Let me move on to Government Exhibit number GX1908,
- 23 | if I may. I'm trying to go through in order. This is the
- 24 easiest way.
- 25 | "A. Okay.

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- "Q. I just want to be clear: This was an e-mail that you received from Lisa Ranger to you, correct, on Saturday,

  December 21, 2013?
- 4 "Q. Yes. And this was early on in your work experience with
- 5 Dr. Fishman, correct?
- 6 "A. Yeah, I had been working for him for a little bit.
- 7 "Q. How long were you working for him when you received this e-mail?
- 9 | "A. About a little over a year.
- 10 | "O. And?
- 11 "A. And?
- "Q. All right. And when you got this e-mail, Ms. Ranger said to you that the doctor said, "the doctor said to send you an
- 14 e-mail. Stuff for Richard Banca. You can send to me or them
- 15 directly." When she said the doctor said to send you an
- 16 e-mail, in your understanding, was that a common practice that
- 17 | you work with Lisa Ranger and with Dr. Fishman, that she would
- 18 indicate that the doctor has already told -- had a discussion
- 19 | with her and told her to e-mail you?
- 20 | "A. Yes.
- 21 "Q. Okay. And then you sent it out, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.
- "Q. And when it says stuff for Richard Banca, how were you able
- 24 | to identify what the stuff for Richard Banca was?
- 25 Na. So I answered a little too fast in the first one.

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It was sent out eventually. After she described or informed me what was needed to be sent.

- "Q. Okay. So that was another conversation somewhere where she described to you what it was that she needed?
- "A. Yes.
- 6 "Q. And that was following up on this e-mail, correct?
- 7 | "A. Possibly. It could have been a text message as well.
  - "Q. Okay. I want to go to government exhibit 1909.

Now you had a chance on direct examination to look at some of the names of the products listed on the page called inventory travel sheet; is that correct?

- 12 "A. Yes.
- "Q. And these were products that Dr. Fishman had available through Equestology; is that fair to say?
- 15 "A. I'm not sure.
- 16 "Q. Okay. Do you know when this list was made up?
- 17 | "A. No.
- 18 "Q. I'm sorry. Let me withdraw that question.
- Do you know when this list was comprised and composed?
- 20 "A. No.
- 21 "Q. Okay. Was it composed during the time that you worked with 22 the doctor?
- 23 "A. I'm not sure. I'm not sure. I saw it during that time. I
  24 can't say to when it was originally created.
- 25 | "Q. On the list labeled Government Exhibit 1909, the one you're

- looking at, are you aware whether or not all of these products
  were products that Dr. Fishman had at the time that you were
  working at Equestology?
- 4 "A. They were. We did not have all these -- all those products.
  - "Q. And were you -- and therefore, were you not involved in the organization of this list, the composing of this list, or the setting of the prices of this list?
  - "A. I was not involved in any of that.
- "Q. And you don't know, actually, where this inventory travel sheet came from, then?
- 12 "A. Correct.

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- 13 | "Q. And you don't know who composed it?
- 14 "A. Correct.
- "Q. Okay. Just a few more questions, Ms. Adams. A couple more questions, and then we'll be through.
- Now, when you met Dr. Fishman, you began your work.

  You understood that you were working for a veterinarian, a

  doctor, correct?
- 20 | "A. Yes.
- "Q. And the idea of confidentiality between doctors and patients and doctors and clients is important, and that was explained to you when you went to work with Dr. Fishman; is that fair to say?
- 25 | "A. Yes.

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"Q. So you understood the importance of that confidentiality,
correct?

"A. Yes.

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- "Q. You also said that at some point, you were questioned by
  the FDA; is that correct?
- 6 | "A. Yes.
- 7 "Q. And do you remember what year that was that you were 8 questioned by the FDA originally?
  - "A. I believe -- I believe it was 2020.
- "Q. Okay. And you also stated, I think, that you didn't speak with them at that time, correct?
  - "A. Correct. I met with them but did not have a conversation with them about anything.
    - "Q. And after you met with them and didn't have a conversation about anything, did they just tell you we're part of the FDA or? What was your understanding of the reason why they appeared in front of you at that time?
- "A. They approached me at work. They identified themselves, told me what they wanted to ask me about. And I said that I was not comfortable answering their questions without a subpoena or my attorney present, and that was the end of it.
- "Q. And what was the subject matter that you were advised, or that you understand that -- at the time that they wanted to talk to you about?
- 25 "A. About Seth.

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- "Q. About Dr. Fishman? 1
- 2 "A. Yes.
- 3 "Q. Prior to that time, had you had any question in your mind
- 4 about talking to the FDA or any government officials about any
- 5 of the activities or actions that you had taken during your
- 6 time at Equestology?
- 7 "A. No.
- 8 Q. And it's only once you get this newspaper or this newsflash
- 9 about this case --
- 10 MR. FASULO: I'd like to repeat that, Judge. I'm
- 11 sorry.
- 12 THE COURT: No problem.
- 13 It's only once you get this newspaper or this newsflash
- 14 about the case, this horse doping case, that that got your
- 15 interest in speaking with the government; is that right?
- 16 "A. Correct.
- 17 "Q. That was the first time that you believed that it was
- 18 important for you to speak to the government about activities
- 19 that you had conducted while you were at Equestology?
- 20 "A. Correct.
- 21 "Q. And prior to that, you had never believed -- I'm sorry.
- 22 And prior to that, you had never believed that you needed to
- 23 speak to the government about any of your activities; is that
- 24 fair to say?
- 25 "A. Yes.

- 1 "Q. Because you didn't believe you were doing anything wrong?
- 2 | "A. Correct.
- 3 "Q. Finally, you said that you -- there came a time that you
- 4 ordered some raw products; is that right, from -- from API?
  - "A. I frequently ordered API for Seth, yes.
- 6 "Q. Yes. And prior to ordering the products or simultaneously
- 7 | with ordering the products, would you advise Dr. Fishman that
- 8 you made such orders?
- 9 | "A. Yes.

- 10 | "Q. Would he know the volume of the orders that you were
- 11 making -- the quantity?
- 12 "A. Yes.
- 13 "Q. Would he know the costs associated with those orders?
- 14 | "A. I'm not sure.
- 15 | "Q. Well, was it your decision to make the purchases at any
- 16 | price, or were there prices that you had to work within based
- on the fact that you were working for Dr. Fishman?
- 18 | "A. It depends on the circumstance of the purchase.
- 19 | "Q. Okay. Did you have parameters to work within as you made
- 20 these orders?
- 21 "A. I'm not sure how to answer the question. Can you be more
- 22 | direct?
- 23 | "Q. Would you just pick up -- what would you base -- let me ask
- 24 | this: During the time that you worked with Dr. Fishman, what
- 25 would you base the necessity to place these orders on? How

1 | would you make these -- those orders?

- 2 "A. For most of the raw API, I was instructed by Seth to order
- 3 | that specifically for orders that needed to be made, and then
- 4 | from other companies if I was ordering, say, for John Pundyk or
- 5 one of the other customers -- some companies sold raw API and
- 6 precomposed products. Those products that were already made
- 7 | and ready to be used as long as we didn't mark them up, Seth
- 8 did not know or care what the price was because they were just
- 9 being resold.
- 10 "Q. But as to the API and raw products, you made sure that Seth
- 11 knew what products were being ordered from?
- 12 "A. Absolutely.
- 13 | "Q. And as to the other products, there came a time where Seth
- 14 | had to pay the bills for the purchase of those products,
- 15 | correct?
- 16 | "A. Yes.
- 17 | "O. And Dr. Fishman would know what products were purchased or
- 18 | not purchased, correct?
- 19 "A. Correct.
- 20 | "Q. And, in fact, you actually -- well, let me withdraw that.
- 21 And, finally, you traveled to Dubai with Dr. Fishman;
- 22 | is that correct?
- 23 "A. Yes.
- 24 | "Q. And you traveled to Dubai. And how many nights were you in
- 25 Dubai with Dr. Fishman?

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- 1 "A. Repeat that.
- 2 "Q. How many -- how long was that trip?
- 3 | "A. A week or two.
- 4 | "Q. Okay. And Lisa Ranger wasn't a member of the team that
- 5 | went to Dubai; is that correct?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 "Q. And, in fact, Lisa Ranger had nothing to do with the
- 8 | international sales of Dr. Fishman during the time you worked
- 9 | for Dr. Fishman; isn't that correct?
- 10 "A. To my knowledge, correct."
- MR. FASULO: Okay. And that's it. Thank you very
- 12 much.
- THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Fasulo. And you have
- 14 | redirect?
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes, your Honor.
- 16 BY MS. MORTAZAVI:
- 17 "Q. Good afternoon, Ms. Adams.
- 18 Have you ever worked with a horse trainer?
- 19 | "A. Have I ever? Sorry. Have I ever worked?
- 20 | "Q. Have you ever worked as a racehorse trainer?
- 21 | "A. No.
- 22 | "Q. Did you visit racing stables to sell drugs for Dr. Fishman?
- 23 | "A. No.
- 24 | "Q. You were asked questions about Brandie Holloway a moment
- 25 ago in connection with an order that you fulfilled. What was

- 1 | the relationship between Brandie Holloway and John Pundyk?
- 2 | "A. They were a client of his.
- 3 "Q. What was the relationship between John Pundyk and
- 4 Geoff Vernon?
- 5 | "A. That John was selling under Geoff.
- 6 "Q. And what was Geoff Vernon's profession?
- 7 | "A. He was a vet.
- 8 "Q. Were you ever asked to explain the effect or purpose of a particular drug to Geoff Vernon?
- 10 | "A. Me? No.
- 11 "Q. Did you ever explain to Geoff Vernon or John Pundyk what
- 12 | dimisone beta 7 was?
- 13 | "A. Not to my recollection.
- 14 "Q. Did either of them ever ask you to do that?
- 15 | "A. I'm not sure."
- MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if you could pull up please
  Government Exhibit 910 in evidence? And we can go to the last
- page, please. I'm sorry. 1910. And if we could go to the
- 19 | last page.
- 20 And, for the record, Ms. Jung is displaying that for
- 21 the jurors.
- 22 | "Q. At any point, did Seth Fishman discuss with you the risk
- 23 of laypeople injecting drugs into an animal's veins?
- 24 "A. Can you repeat that?
- 25 | "Q. At any point, did Seth Fishman discuss with you the risk of

MR76GIA4 "Courtney Adams" laypeople injecting drugs into animal's veins? "A. I'm not familiar with the term "laypeople." "Q. Non-veterinarians. "A. Yes. "Q. And what did he say the risk of non-veterinarians injecting drugs into animals veins would be? "A. There's risk of severe side effects such, you know --ranging from very mild to death. (Continued on next page) 

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BY MS. MORTAZAVI: 1

"Q. We discussed earlier and Mr. Fasulo a moment ago put up an 2 3

email referring to an individual name "Richard Banca".

Do you know Richard Banca?

"A. No.

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- Do you know whether Richard Banca is a horse trainer?
- 7 "A. I do not.
- Do you know if Richard Banca is a veterinarian? 8 "O.
- 9 "A. I do not.
- 10 Do you know if Josh Marks is a veterinarian?
- "A. 11 No.
- 12 **"**O. Do you know if an individual named "Ross Cohen" is a
- 13 veterinarian?
- 14 "A. No.
- 15 "O. Ms. Adams, are you aware if Fishman and Giannelli or
- Ms. Ranger had clients who are not veterinarians? 16
- 17 "A. Can you repeat that? Sorry.
- 18 "Q. Yes. Do you know one way or the other whether Seth
- Fishman and Lisa Ranger had clients who are not veterinarians? 19
- 20 I can't say for sure. No.
- 21 MS. MORTAZAVI: No further questions, your Honor.
- 22 THE COURT: All right. Thank you.
- 23 MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, if I may before I excuse
- 24 this particular individual I'd like to display for the jury two
- 25 Government Exhibits.

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THE	COURT: Sure.
MS.	MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if you could please display
Government Ex	hibits 319-A and 319-AA.
THE	COURT: I assume these are in evidence.
MS.	MORTAZAVI: These are in evidence, your Honor.
They are reco	rds of Equestology that have already been
stipulated an	d admitted.
Ms.	Jung, if you could focus on Government Exhibit
319-A the tex	t that appears in that email. Thank you.
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MS.	MORTAZAVI: For the record, this is an e-mail from
Courtney Adam	s, CourtneyAdams8467@GMail.com to Lisa
RangerEquesto	logy@GMail.com, sent January 8, 2016, copying Mary
Fox and SethF	ishman@hotmail.com with the subject "acetyl
label".	
I'm	going to ask you, please, Ms. Ruscigno, could you
read the body	of this e-mail starting with "Lisa please"?
MS.	RUSCIGNO: Lisa, please see attached
MR.	FASULO: I am objecting.
THE	COURT: Sustained.
MS.	MORTAZAVI: All right. Your Honor, I'll read this
exhibit into	the record then.
THE	COURT: Are you putting them pack up?

MS. MORTAZAVI: All right. Thank you.

The witness is excused.

1	THE COURT: Or our assistant is excused.
2	MS. MORTAZAVI: Certainly, your Honor.
3	THE COURT: Why don't we give her a moment?
4	Thank you.
5	(Witness is excused)
6	MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if we could please display
7	once more Government Exhibit 319-A and 319-AA.
8	(Pause)
9	MS. MORTAZAVI: And if you could focus on the text in
10	Government Exhibit 319-A. I'd already read the header
11	information into the record. I am going to read the body into
12	the record.
13	"Lisa, please see attached file and let me know if
14	that color is okay with you? The vial cap will be sapphire
15	blue. We also changed the horse head logo."
16	Ms. Jung, if you could please focus in on a portion of
17	Government Exhibit 319-AA. And I am going to read from this
18	exhibit under "directions".
19	"Administer 10 to 20 CC IV as needed".
20	And in black text "acetylcysteine".
21	Ms. Jung, if you could take down this exhibit and
22	please display Government Exhibit 331.
23	For the record, your Honor, this is a record of
24	Equestology that is already in evidence pursuant to
25	stipulation.

Okay.

THE COURT:

MS. MORTAZAVI: And I'm going to read the header information on the bottom e-mail. It is from Lisa RangerEquestology@GMail.com to Seth Fishman at SethFishman@Hotmail.com, sent December 5, 2016 with the header Courtney's mess is now my mess.

I am going to read from the body, your Honor, in part only.

Can you please stop Courtney from doing this? She has caused yet another problem for me. I thought we talked about this. If you choose to keep her on as an employee, I cannot stress enough to have her stay far, far away from my end of your business. Stopped her from ordering from Schein.

There are plenty of other distributors she can use. I had phone call and e-mails of disgust dealing with her. Pam was on vacation and Courtney put everybody involved in a tailspin due to her lack of knowledge of what she wanted to order and her incompetence of getting any job done correctly. I can't put this in any other terms. Keep her away from me. I cannot do my job correctly if she is over there blundering through hers.

The other day she placed and canceled all these orders

I have the Intelligent Inventory program on my end which is now
all messed up due to her lack of clarity.

Also, the product she orders is not the same as mine.

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Ms. Jung, if you could please take down this exhibit.

Your Honor, I'd like to read into the record two That's Government Exhibit 9009 and Government stipulations. Exhibit 9010. Starting with Government Exhibit 9009 I will not read the preliminary matter.

The exhibits listed under Column B in the chart below are true and accurate transactions of the audio recordings listed under Column A which accurately reflect the contents recorded in those audio recordings listed under Column A.

And just for the record, that's Government Exhibits 910, 910-T 911, 911-T, 912-A, 912-AT, 912-B, 912-BT, 3100-A, 3010-AT, 310-B, 3100-BT.

It is further stipulated and agreed by and between the parties that the aforementioned government exhibits and this stipulation which is Government Exhibit 9009, may be received in evidence at trial.

THE COURT: All right. Stipulation 9009 is in evidence, as are exhibits 910 through 912 and 3100-A and 3100-B and the "T" versions which are the transcript versions of those exhibits. Those are all in evidence.

(Government's Exhibits 9009, 910-912, 3100-A, 3100-B, 3100AT, 3100-BT received in evidence)

1	MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you, your Honor.
2	Can I Ms. Jung, to please play at this time Government
3	Exhibit 912-B and display Government Exhibit 912-BT and the
4	jurors can follow along on their screens rather than referring
5	to the binder.
6	For the record, this is a November 18, 2018 phone
7	call. The participants are Seth Fishman and Ban Bang.
8	Ms. Jung, if you could please play this exhibit.
9	(Audio played)
10	THE COURT: It's not coming up on their screens. And
11	could you turn the volume down.
12	(Audio played)
13	MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, could you please play at
14	this time pardon me. Could you please display at this time
15	Government Exhibit 163-AT and please play Government Exhibit
16	163-A. This transcript is in the jurors' binders if they would
17	like to refer to it in hard copy. For the record, this is an
18	April 23, 2019 call between Lisa Giannelli and Nicholas
19	THE COURT: And this is in evidence?
20	MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes, your Honor.
21	MR. FASULO: Objection, judge. They played it
22	yesterday. They're playing it again?
23	THE COURT: Was this played yesterday?
2.4	MS. MORTAZAVI: It was, your Honor. We'll consult the

record and we can hold it back at this point.

	THE	COURT:	We'ı	re	not	going	to	have	cumulative
evidence.									

MS. MORTAZAVI: Understood, your Honor. If it was already played, there is no need to replay.

Ms. Jung, if you can please pull up Government Exhibit 195-T and play once again Government Exhibit 195.

Jurors are welcomed to follow along on their screens or in their hard copy binders.

For the record, this is a May 9, 2019 call between Lisa Giannelli and an unknown female.

Ms. Jung, if you could please play this exhibit.

(Audio played)

MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, rather than read into the record Government Exhibit 9010, I'd like to read into the record Government Exhibit 9013, which is another stipulation between the parties.

THE COURT: Okay.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Once again, I will skip the preamble.

If called as a witness at trial, Benjamin Schwartz would testify that A, Government Exhibit 3000 is a true and correct copy of a letter dated March 31, 2011 prepared and sign by Mr. Schwartz, in connection with an investigation and complaint by the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility relating to Mr. Schwartz's client, the defendant, Lisa Giannelli, then using the name "Lisa Ranger",

and Seth Fishman.

Included with the letter contained in Government Exhibit 3000 are true and correct copies of notarized attestations by the defendant, Lisa Giannelli, and Seth Fishman.

Submitted in connection with Mr. Schwartz's letter contained in Government Exhibit 3000.

Your Honor, may I have a moment to consult with Mr. Fasulo?

THE COURT: Of course.

(Pause)

MS. MORTAZAVI: "B", Government Exhibit 3001 is a true and correct copy of the complaint filed by the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility referenced in Government Exhibit 3000.

"C", Government Exhibit 3100-A and 3100-B are true and correct copies of portions of an interview of the defendant, Lisa Giannelli, then using the name "Lisa Ranger" conducted on July 3, 2012, by an investigator employed by the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility in connection with the investigation of the complaint contained in Government Exhibit 301.

Two. It is further stipulated and agreed that, A, on or about July 11, 2012, the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility referred the matter in Government Exhibit 3000

to	the	Delaware	State	Attorney	General's	Office	for
pro	secu	ation.					

B, on or about March 15, 2013, in a letter signed by a deputy attorney general, the Delaware State Attorney General's Office dismissed the matter in Government Exhibit 3000 based on insufficient evidence.

It is further stipulated and agreed by and between the parties that the aforementioned government exhibit and this stipulation which is Government Exhibit 9013, may be received in evidence at trial.

Your Honor, there is a marked up version of Government Exhibit 9013 that I have in hard copy that the parties have agreed to. I would ask that that be admitted into evidence along with all the exhibits that were referenced in that document.

THE COURT: When you say "marked up", you mean "edited"?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct, your Honor.

MR. FASULO: There was a clarity in the -- but we both agreed.

MS. MORTAZAVI: The parties are in agreement and we will submit a revised document your Honor. That's the version we would offer.

THE COURT: That's fine. My only point is the jury might have benefited from your clarification. But that's fine.

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      version which you were telling me just has a comma for
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      clarity's sake and the exhibits referenced in Exhibit 9013.
               MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct.
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      counsel?
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               THE COURT: Of course.
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               (Pause)
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               MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, for the record, it is more
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               MR. FASULO: Could we just approach, judge?
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               THE COURT: Sure.
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               MR. FASULO: We both agree --
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1	(side bar)
2	MR. FASULO: When we read the stipulation I missed it.
3	I saw defendant, Lisa Giannelli, but I see Seth Fishman's name
4	is after the comma instead of Seth Fishman and then defendant
5	Lisa Giannelli but I just don't want the jury to speculate as
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7	THE COURT: The only problem is it's in the record.
8	It was put on the board and it was read to them that way.
9	MS. MORTAZAVI: But no, your Honor
10	MR. GIANFORTI: It wasn't published.
11	THE COURT: I could see it.
12	MS. MORTAZAVI: Correct. But the attorneys and the
13	Court have access
14	THE COURT: And you read it the correct way?
15	MR. FASULO: She did.
16	THE COURT: I thought it was published all right.
17	Let's find out for clarification whether it was published.
18	MS. MORTAZAVI: For the record, I did not know that it
19	was, I did not recognize an issue.
20	THE COURT: Yeah.
21	MS. MORTAZAVI: Then I and corrected it.
22	THE COURT: That's fine.
23	MR. GIANFORTI: Should we call Ms. Jung over for
24	backup over the white noise so we could confirm whether it was

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THE COURT: Was the stipulation shown just to me? MS. MORTAZAVI: We've confirmed with our paralegal that this was not published to jurors and I read in the edited version. THE COURT: Okay. Perfect.

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(In Open Court)

THE COURT: All right. Let me just confirm with the jurors, if you just nod your heads one way or the other as Ms. Mortazavi was reading the stipulation, was the stipulation on your screens? No. They're nodding their heads no which is what we all thought. When we spoke at side bar the version Ms. Mortazavi read from which you heard is the corrected version that's what the transcript will reflect and that corrected version will be what is the stipulation which I've told you before is evidence in this case.

All right. Ms. Mortazavi, where are you planning to go from here? I should have asked you this at sidebar. It's about ten minutes to 3:00 and we had said we were ending at three o'clock today.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes, your Honor. There are some documents related to the stipulation that I just read that I could review. It may mean that we go a little passed 3:00 but not much far passed 3:00 and a good chance we could finish by then.

THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, if you could please display Government Exhibit 3001 which is now in evidence pursuant to the stipulation that I just read.

For the record, this is a complaint file with the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility. Could you

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please blow up the portion in the middle starting with drug in question up to the black box. Thank you.

I'm just going to read this into the record.

THE COURT: Again, this is in evidence.

Go ahead.

MS. MORTAZAVI: "Asked about where the medication came from because I did not dispense it. They brought it from Lisa M. Ranger who sells drugs or Seth I. Fishman. I am suspicious that veterinarian does not have a client/patient relation and I am positive the individual driving around the farms selling drugs behind/under Dr. Fishman's name is not a licensed veterinarian."

Ms. Jung, if you could please folks on the bottom partial of this first page of Government Exhibit 3001.

Your Honor, for the record, I am going to be reading just portions of this section of this government exhibit.

I'm suspicious. He does not have a stable patient/client relationship. I am concerned this veterinarian is not physically examining these animals and in a medication sales situation strictly for profit. My biggest concern with this case is that Lisa M. Ranger is not a licensed veterinarian and she is driving this around this state selling medications, needles, syringes and prescription drugs without a license, and no professional training in regards to the medication she is dispensing.

	I've observed her selling products out of her vehicle
at farms	in Harrington Training Center, Gateway Farm and now
Seaford.	She is also dispensing medications that are not
approved	in the U.S. which is also a FDA and potentially a DEA
violation	a.

It is to my belief that there are several infractions occurring with this case according to the following....

And then there's an itemized list of three particular provisions and I'll just read them and not -- I'll read the initial parts of each item.

Veterinary Practice Act Law.

Veterinary Practice Act Regulations.

Control Substances Act Law.

Ms. Jung, if could you please now display Government Exhibit 3000 again. This is in evidence pursuant to the stipulation I just read, and this is the response that's submitted in response to the complaint.

Ms. Jung, if you could focus on the very first paragraph starting with "please accept".

"Please accept this letter as Dr. Seth Fishman's and Ms. Lisa Ranger's response to the board complaint file under the complaint numbers listed above."

If we could take this down, and please focus on the second paragraph, reading portions in the record.

THE COURT: But the jury should keep in mind the

entire document is in evidence and available.

Go ahead, Ms. Mortazavi.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Thank you.

Lisa has not practiced and is not practicing veterinary medicine and she has not acted and is not currently acting as an unlicensed veterinary technician. Ms. Ranger is employed by Dr. Seth Fishman in his business, Equestology.

Ms. Ranger's duties include, but are not limited to, collecting payment also from clients, coordinating Dr. Fishman's visits and teleconference with clients, driving products and medications prescribed by Dr. Fishman and acting as receptionist and secretary to Dr. Fishman.

Ms. Jung, if you could turn to the next page and could you please blow up the portion starting with "Lisa Ranger does not", and that paragraph only.

Thank you.

Lisa Ranger does not sell drugs for Dr. Fishman.

Ms. Ranger delivers supplies for Dr. Fishman. She collects and posts payments paid to Dr. Fishman by Dr. Fishman's clientele.

It is incorrect and professionally irresponsible to claim that she "sells drugs for Seth I Fishman.

Ms. Jung, if you could focus on the last paragraph on this page.

The complaint also alleges in Paragraph Number Six of the medical record that "I am concerned this veterinarian is

not physically examining these animals and is in the medication sales situation strictly for profit." Dr. Fishman physically examines all animals he treats.

Ms. Jung, if you could turn to the next page, and focus on the text there and I'll read the last line of this paragraph.

"Again, in regards to selling product, Lisa Ranger is nothing more than a delivery person for Dr. Fishman's practice."

Ms. Jung, could you move forward two pages from where we are now. That would be page five of this exhibit. I'll just go ahead and read this text.

And now this 30th day of March 2011 appeared before me a notary public in the state and county aforesaid, Lisa Ranger, known by me personally to be such, and she did depose and say that the facts concerning her as set forth in the foregoing response to the board complaint are true and correct.

There's a signature block with the name "Lisa Ranger" and a signature above it, as well as the signature block and signature of the notary public.

Pardon me, your Honor, just one second.

Ms. Jung, you can take down this exhibit, and could you please display Government Exhibit 3100-BT and please play Government Exhibit 3100-B. And while you are pulling that up, I will say for the record, there's a portion of an interview

took place July 3, 2012 of Lisa Ranger by an investigator employed by the Delaware Division of Professional Responsibility and that's in connection with the investigation and complaint that we just saw on the last two exhibits.

Ms. Jung, if you could please play.

(Audio played)

MS. MORTAZAVI: Your Honor, one moment. This will be the final exhibit that I look at today.

Ms. Jung, if you could please pull up Government Exhibit 900-D. For the record, this is in evidence pursuant to Government Exhibit 9008. It's an extraction from the electronic device owned by Seth Fishman.

THE COURT: Slow down, Ms. Mortazavi.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Here is reality. I was tortured so much by race commissions without a client ever getting a single positive other than stupid shit like bute given by another vet. I voluntarily gave up my license and then the veterinary board had me investigated for BS. They even accused Lisa of practicing veterinary medicine. I spent \$25,000 in legal fees and had a personal political favor called in to end the BS.

Your Honor, I believe we're only a minute over three o'clock and I have nothing further for today.

MR. FASULO: Judge, just for completeness on this document, I think it was important to see who, we just saw that statement but we didn't see where that was in context. I just

don't want the jury to have an impression as to who it was.

THE COURT: Can you put the document back up please.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Ms. Jung, could you please display Government Exhibit 900-T.

For the record, the other party of this conversation, if you could focus on one of blue bubbles. It's listed here next the number Adrienne Hall-FLA.

MR. FASULO: Thank you.

THE COURT: All right. Ladies and gentlemen, we're going to break, as I told you we would do a little bit early today. I hope everyone has a nice weekend. Please leave your notebooks in the jury room. You can leave your binders on the chairs and also that exhibit that was given to you.

Since we are a breaking for the weekend, I'm going to remind you again in a little bit more detail to please not discuss the case. Please don't remain in the presence of anyone else who may want to talk about the case or about any of the issues that we're talking about here. Please don't research or read anything about the case or the issues here. And I remind you again, that these rules apply to conversations even with your own family and your own friends. It's very, very important that you decide this case based only on the evidence that you hear in the courtroom and the instructions that I am going to give you about the law. All right?

So with that, I wish everyone a very good weekend and

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we will see you back here Monday morning. Why don't we say at about 9:45 we should be ready to start. Okay? I open everyone has a good weekend.

(Jury not present)

THE COURT: All right. Please be seated.

All right. Ms. Mortazavi, how are we doing on timing here?

MS. MORTAZAVI: We're doing well, your Honor. And I think a little bit ahead of where we thought we would be.

THE COURT: That was my sense but I wasn't sure.

MS. MORTAZAVI: Yes.

THE COURT: Where are we going on Monday?

MS. MORTAZAVI: We're going to be hearing from Dr. Bowman Monday.

THE COURT: Okay.

MS. MORTAZAVI: And assuming she does not take up the entire day, there's a possibility that we would call Conor Flynn.

THE COURT: Okay. And that is whom?

MS. MORTAZAVI: And that is a cooperating witness.

THE COURT: Okay. And you've disclosed all of this, I assume.

MS. MORTAZAVI: We had had initial discussions with Mr. Fasulo and said that we would confirm once we had a chance to on confer, meaning government counsel. But this is my best

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probability given where we ended today and there's a 1 possibility that we would call John Rubino, who is an 2 3 investigative analyst with the FBI. 4 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Anything else? 5 MR. FASULO: No. Just for the record, judge, the 6 government has, we have been in contact on a momentary daily 7 basis about the witnesses. So the government has been telling me, I understand the flexibility needed. If there is an issue 8 9 I will raise it with the Court. I appreciate the Court asking. 10 THE COURT: I need to have some sense of where we're 11 I promised the jurors I would let them know as well. 12 MR. FASULO: They do indicate but they are unsure. I 13 think we are moving very quickly. We are likely to call just 14 one witness in terms of scheduling. So in terms of the Court's calendar --15 16 THE COURT: Okay. I appreciate that. 17 MS. MORTAZAVI: I am sorry. Maybe I'm being obtuse 18 but when Mr. Fasulo refers to "one witness", is he referring to the defendant or an additional witness? 19 20 MR. FASULO: I am not going tell you. Look at my 21 opening statement. 22 MS. MORTAZAVI: Very good. Thank you.

THE COURT: Anything else then that we should talk about before we adjourn?

MS. MORTAZAVI: Nothing from the government. Thank

M4TAAGIA5 "Courtney Adams" you. MR. FASULO: Nothing from the defense. THE COURT: All right. I hope you all have a very good weekend, Mr. Fasulo. Enjoy the wedding. MR. FASULO: Appreciate that. Thank you. THE COURT: Thank you everybody and thank you to our court reporters. (Adjourned to May 2, 2022, at 9:45 A.M.) 

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